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GREEKS IRON OUT POCKETS IN FRONT LINE

Relentless Advance On Santi Quaranta

THE ADVANCE of the Greeks to within 1½ miles of the Albanian supply port of Santi Quaranta is one of their most notable achievements, for it was from here that the Italians first drove them back till the fighting raged 15 miles inside Greece.

The Greeks then rallied and in the last three weeks have steadily driven the Fascists back to where they started. Greek guns now command the port and Greek infantry units are on its fringes.

Further inland, but still near the coast, the Italian grip on Argyrokastron is being steadily loosened. The Greeks have taken two more heights dominating the city, and the Italian position is said to be desperate.

Greek advance units are reported to have cut the transport route between Argyrokastron and the coast.

Heavy Snow

Heavy snow is falling in the north, but even here the Greeks are still advancing.

The Greek High Command announces that new heights have been taken around Podgradetz, following intense fighting, and some of the Italians are withdrawing westwards to Elbasan, which is only some 30 miles from the coast.

An Athens message says that an Italian counter-attack near Lake Ohrida has been repulsed, the Greeks taking a large number of prisoners.

The Greeks are now twice as far into Albania as the Italians ever got into Greece.

Even Rome cannot claim "victories," and speaks of renewed counter-attacks by numerous Greek formations supported by considerable artillery fire.

Closing In Relentlessly
NET RESULT OF THE GREEK OPERATIONS IN THE LAST 36 HOURS HAS BEEN TO IRON OUT A NUMBER OF "POCKETS" AND BRING THE GREEK LINE INTO A BROAD EGG-SHAPED CURVE ACROSS SOUTHERN ALBANIA.

The Greeks all day yesterday closed in relentlessly on Santi Quaranta, while north of Argyrokastron, the Italian troops fell back from Premeti towards Kilsura and Tepelini.

They were being harried by aircraft while the Greek land forces—already very near Premeti yesterday morning—continued to move forward.

Bigger Battle Ahead

Italian resistance is also weakening round Moshkopolls, southwest of Podgradetz, following severe fighting there a few days ago.

North of Podgradetz the Greeks have occupied a village on Lake Ohrida.

Responsible newspapers in Athens, however, warn against over-optimism. "A bigger battle still lies ahead," they declare.

ITALIAN 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

Further R.A.F. successes over Albania were announced in Cairo yesterday.

Reports received confirm that in addition to two aircraft destroyed by R.A.F. fighters and bombers formations in Albania on Monday, two other enemy aircraft were also destroyed.

In Italian East Africa, Kassala was heavily bombed. Bombs were dropped on enemy fortified positions and a motor transport park was straddled.

British aircraft also machine-gunned transport and enemy personnel.—Reuter.

ITALY CALLS UP YOUTHS OF 19

ITALY YESTERDAY STARTED TO CALL UP TO THE COLOURS HER YOUTHS OF 19. Only priests and men already in the Fascist militia and police will be exempt.—Reuter.



THE CITY CARRIES ON—A cafe damaged by a bomb in a recent raid in the City area, had its gas supply cut off. The enterprising proprietor then served City workers with cups of tea on a stove in the street amid smoking debris. (Copyright, Fox).

GIVE BRITAIN ALL MONEY THEY WANT—MR. FORD

Mr. Henry Ford, in an interview in Detroit yesterday, said that if Britain needed money he was in favour of "giving them all they want."

Mr. Ford added: "It will end the war in a hurry. We did it before and might as well do it again." —Reuter.

DEATH SENTENCES

NINE POLES HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH AT POZNAN IN GERMAN-OCCUPIED POLAND, THE GERMAN WIRELESS STATED YESTERDAY.

Mr. With 20 others they were charged with committing acts of thievery against the Germans. The remainder were sentenced to long terms of hard labour and imprisonment.—Reuter.

PARALLEL POLICY IN FAR EAST

"The questioner can rest assured that His Majesty's Government maintain close contact with the United States Government in all matters of common interest."

This was the reply of Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday to a query by Mr. Robert Morgan (Cons.) inviting a joint Anglo-American declaration in opposition to the so-called new order Japan is trying to introduce in China and the whole Pacific.

Replying to Sir Robert Gower (Cons.), who invited a statement on Britain's policy towards the Nanking puppet regime, Mr. Butler said the Government had repeatedly made known their attitude, which is to continue to recognise the National Government in Chungking as the Government of China.—Reuter.

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ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY SLIGHT

Enemy air activity over Britain yesterday was very slight.

Shortly after midday, according to an Air Ministry communique, bombs were dropped on Dover, doing some damage and causing a few casualties.

One enemy bomber was shot down over the Dutch coast by British fighters without loss to themselves.—Reuter.



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Britain's Gastronomic Life Little Affected By Rations

Meaning Of The New Restrictions

(By Reuter's Chief Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE BRITISH FOOD MINISTER'S DECISION TO LIMIT THE QUANTITIES OF CERTAIN RATIONED FOODS AND TO BAN ENTIRELY THE IMPORTATION OF FRUITS OTHER THAN ORANGES, IS THE SUBJECT FOR GLOATING ON THE PART OF THE ITALIAN PROPAGANDA SERVICE.

They interpret these measures in the light of their own situation and experience, and prophesy that Britain will soon be brought to her knees by the attempted blockade victoriously exercised by Germany.

They do not realise how very little effect the British system of rationing has really had upon the gastronomic life of Britain.

Except for butter, sugar, bacon and eggs, which are admittedly scarcer than before the war, the ordinary person has hardly noticed the effect of the food restriction policy.

Anybody can get a full meal in any restaurant without ration cards or coupons. Bread is abundant and excellent.

Meat, except pork, is limited on the basis of price when bought from the butcher, but in restaurants meat as well as all other foods are only limited by the big appetite of the consumer.

Poultry Not Rationed

Game and poultry are not rationed at all. There is no lack of potatoes and green vegetables, though onions are scarce.

On the other hand there is no limit to groceries and tinned foods that are accessible to all purchasers.

In Italy, where four meatless days per week have already been legally ordered, it has now been found necessary to curtail the staple foods of the country, namely macaroni and rice.

In future Italians are restricted to two kilogrammes of either flour gluten (macaroni) or rice per month.

Seeing that a normal Italian would think nothing of facing a plate of half a pound of spaghetti or macaroni (a quarter of a kilo), it is obvious that this small ration will mean real privation.

Cold Comfort

Even the Italian newspapers realise the severity of the sacrifice but find comfort in pointing out that in Germany only half a kilo

of rice or gluten is allowed per head per month, and even so is part of a general dietary of rations.

The facts about Britain's food position are patent to every foreigner living in England.

Italian propaganda of wilful misrepresentation may help the Italian to bear his troubles more lightly but is not going to make the people any better pleased with the regime that is responsible for their privations.—Reuter.

DIED FOR A KISS

When his father crossed the road to catch a bus, three-year-old Bernard Shaffery, of Malmesbury Close, Bristol, ran after him for a good-bye kiss.

The father boarded the bus, then saw the child in the path of a lorry.

He leapt off and raced to save him. But he was just too late. The boy was knocked down. He died in hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Shaffery told a reporter: "Bernard adored his father, and was always saying, 'Daddy, kiss me.'"

Her Birthday

"My two little girls, Bernard and I, went to the bus stop with my husband when he left for business, as I thought I would buy a birthday cake as a treat

ITALIAN SPITFIRE DONATION

THE LATEST GIFT FOR "SPITFIRES" IS AN UNUSUAL ONE — IT COMES FROM THE ITALIANS THEMSELVES!

In recent raids on enemy positions in Africa, soldiers of the Gold Coast Brigade found some Mrs which the Italians had left behind.

This money has now been sent to a "Spitfire" fund.

Other gifts include the purchase price of three "Spitfires" from a Newfoundland fund.

The British community in the Argentine has sent £25,000 for the purchase of aircraft for the Fleet Air Arm.

In Trinidad, an excess profits tax is to be imposed on companies so that more monetary aid can be sent to Britain.

This tax, says the Governor of Trinidad, will be used to increase contributions to the British Government's special naval and military services from £209,000 to £260,000 a year, and to make a further special gift of £52,000 to Britain.

The Mysore War Fund has sent £1,500 to the Lord Mayor of London's air-raid distress fund.—Reuter.

for the children. It was my birthday.

"My husband left us to cross the road to the bus and he did not kiss Bernard. The next moment I missed my baby. He must have slipped after his Daddy to give him a good-bye kiss.

"A few moments later I saw him lying in my husband's arms on the other side of the street."



Back in port, in peaceful surroundings once more, sailors chat over their adventures as another day draws to a close. (Copyright, Fox).

HOW THE GERMANS BOMBED RAMSGATE

THIS IS THE STORY of how the Nazis destroyed nearly 1,000 shops and houses in Ramsgate, cited by Mr. Churchill when he contrasted German air-men's "wanton cruelty" with the R.A.F.'s policy of bombing only war targets.

On Saturday, August 24, a cloud of German bombers flew swiftly across the English Channel to Ramsgate.

They stayed three minutes. It was long enough to drop 500 bombs and blow to pieces nearly 1,000 humble homes and shops.

This is the full story, told for the first time, of the raid on Britain's most battered town, cited by Mr. Churchill last night as an example of the Nazi air-men's "wanton cruelty."

One House In Nine Hit

One house in every nine bore the marks of that raid.

Yet Ramsgate, once a happy holiday town, with its population reduced from 37,000 to 14,000, is not downhearted.

Those 14,000 intend to carry on "for the duration." They are amazed at the low number of casualties. In their three-minute raid they lost a few dead and injured. Several are still missing.

The town's miles of A.R.F. tunnels is sheltering 90 per cent of the population.

Shopkeepers still offer their goods for sale. Three cinemas remain open.

No Rent Or Rates

Practically all the old people, children and mothers have left the town. Rent and rates are forgotten. There is no one to collect them.

Ramsgate had, on average of three raids a day last week. When their homes are shattered the besieged people, as they regard themselves, just salvage the belongings and move into one of the many deserted mansions.

WINTER RATIONS MAY BE INCREASED

Increased rations for the winter are being considered by the Ministry of Food.

It is probable that more meat will be the first change. At present the ration is 1s. 10d. worth a person.

Farmers have been offering to the Ministry so much fat cattle for slaughter that one-fifth of the supplies have been refused.

Beef Stocks

Nothing but English beef is to be sold in the shops. All imported beef is to be put into storage.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the Ministry wants to clear stocks to the public.

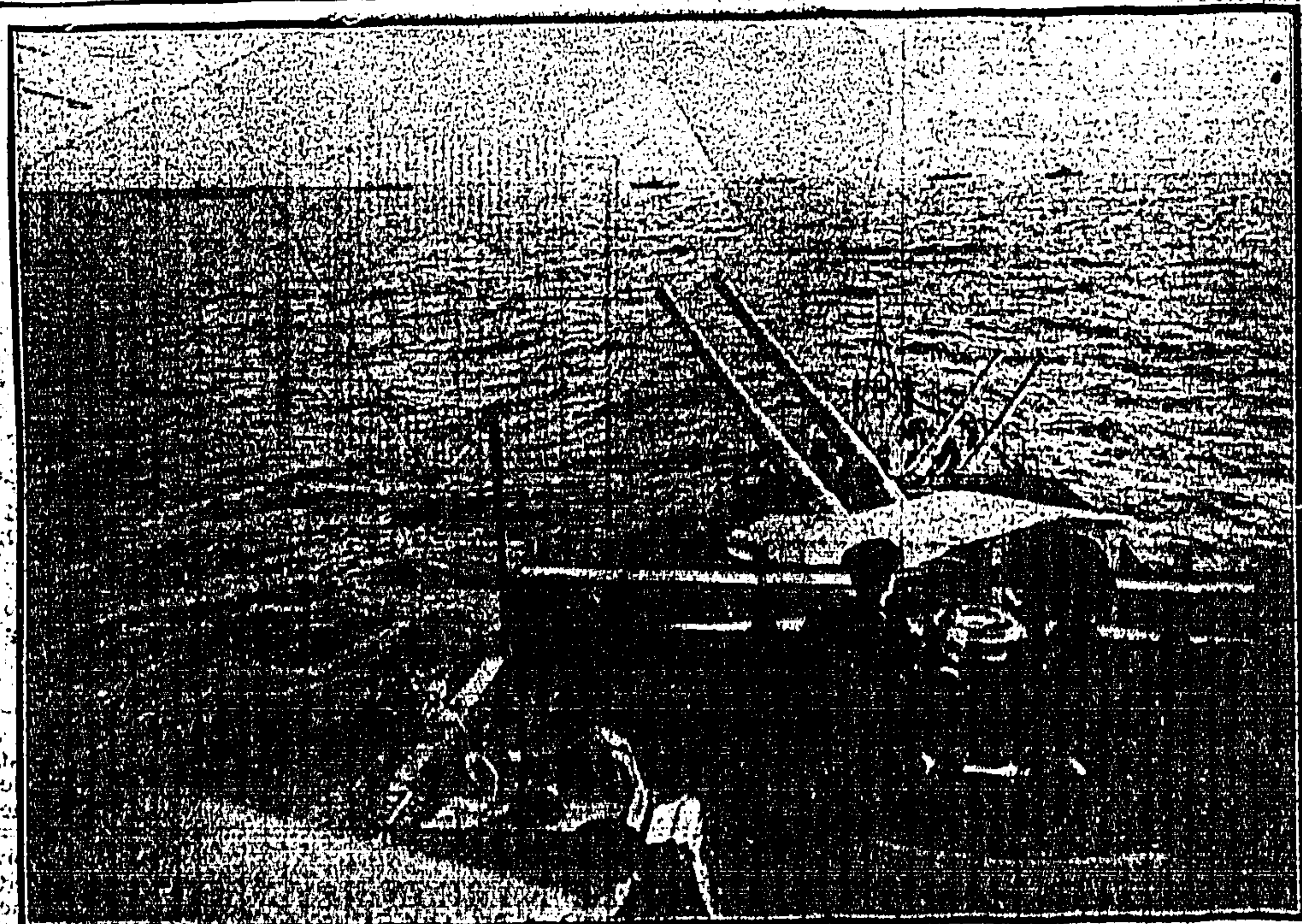
Price will be one of the limiting factors to the poorer people for first grade English beef costs from 2d. to 4d. a lb. more than imported and second grade English.

More Sugar

It is not unlikely that bacon may be included in the increased meat rations.

More fats, more sugar and more tea have also been held in promise to the public.

Cuts in sugar were to have been restored before the winter, the Ministry hopes, to increase the tea ration.



The anti-aircraft guns of the Royal Navy ready for action in a destroyer escorting a convoy safely through the Channel.

POWERFUL NEW AID HINTED

American Officials Confer In Washington

Financing Looming Prominently

IMPORTANT NEW AMERICAN MOVES TO HELP BRITAIN APPEARED IMMINENT YESTERDAY AS THE SECRETARIES OF AT LEAST THREE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS GAVE INDICATION THAT FURTHER AID IS UNDER IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce and Federal Loan Administrator, said in Washington yesterday that Britain is a "good risk."

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, revealed that Sir Frederick Phillips is arriving to meet Treasury officials.

Simultaneously Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told his press conference that the Government is giving consideration to all phases of the shipping question in connection with aid for Britain.

Observers had scented something in the air on Tuesday when a special conference was held which brought nine of the most important Government officials together.

Three similar extraordinary meetings have been called in recent months and it is notable that a major step to aid Britain followed quickly.

Financing Problem

The first meeting preceded the sale of destroyers — the second preceded facilities for Britain to increase air force orders by 12,000 planes — the third preceded the release of Flying Fortresses.

Britain's financing appeared to be the dominant subject of the latest conference, and Sir Frederick Phillips' visit to Washington is expected to help clarify the situation.

There has been some demand for information on Britain's exact status.

Britain Taking 60 Per Cent.

Manufacturers, for example, want to know whether it is financially safe to accept further orders and if the millions they have spent to handle British orders will be repaid.

Another source of concern has been the future of the American export trade if British resources are allowed to become exhausted.

The British Empire now takes 60 per cent. of United States exports and a sudden complete collapse of these would be a heavy blow to the American national economy. — Reuter.

U.S. LOAN TO BRITAIN MOOTED With Lien On Gold Output

A proposal was made a few days ago for a loan to Britain by the United States of \$625,000,000, with a lien on Empire gold production over the next five years as security, reports the "New York Herald-Tribune."

This proposal, says the paper, was made by Mr. Eccles, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank, at a private meeting last week of bankers, industrialists and economists.

Another report, as yet unconfirmed, says that the United States will shortly release thousands of tons of merchant shipping to Britain.

The United States Maritime Commission, which yesterday authorized the Black Diamond SS. Company to sell to Britain four cargo-ships, is expected to offer 15 laid-up ships for sale to Britain in a few days. — Reuter.

PEIPING TENSION

A proclamation threatening "effective action" to crush lawlessness in Peiping was issued by the Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Army in North China yesterday.

This follows the assassination of a Japanese infantry colonel in the city's main street by an unknown Chinese on Saturday.

Since then tension in Peiping has been acute. The proclamation states that various Japanese and Chinese organs will be used to suppress disorders. — Reuter.

BOY IS ON MURDER CHARGE

A boy of fifteen was committed for trial by the Narberth (Pembrokeshire) Justices on a charge of murdering Miss Eunice Lettice Evans, aged sixty-two, of Woodhouse Grange, Marletwy, Pembrokeshire.

Detective Sergeant Tague said that he arrested the boy who had spent the night in a cornfield twelve miles from the scene.

When questioned the boy was alleged to have said, "I fired through the window. I knew I shot her. What are you doing?"



EARLY MORNING AIR RAID WARNING IN LONDON—Photo shows workers leaving a public air raid shelter in London after the "All Clear" had been sounded. (Copyright, Fox).

THAILAND AND INDO-CHINA COMMUNICATIONS SUSPENDED

The Indo-China authorities have announced that all cable and wireless communication between Indo-China and Thailand has been suspended except by cable via Singapore, according to a Japanese report from Hanoi yesterday. — Reuter.

IL DUCE'S DREAMS FADING

Britain has neglected nothing to ensure that Egypt's defences are impregnable, writes the editor of the Cairo newspaper "Al-Misri," who has just returned from a tour of the Western Desert.

Mussolini, he writes, gave Marshal Graziani — his most able and experienced desert fighter — the task not only of securing Italian domination of Egypt but also of conquering the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

The strong defences of the British forces have caused this dream to melt away.

If in Albania Italy is already yielding under Greek blows, she will snap asunder in the Western Desert. — Reuter.

had mislaid her, so I went inside. You might have killed me. "She ran down to the porch, I forced the door of the porch open and fired high and missed. I got more cartridges, forced the door open again and pulled the trigger. Afterwards I saw her lying on the floor and fired again and shot her through the neck." The boy reserved his defence.

WOMAN SAVES HORSES FROM BLAZING STABLE

A BASKET of incendiary bombs set fire to a church, a stables, and an hotel in North London early in the morning. Others blazed on roads and gardens and in bedrooms.

What happened next is a good example of something I've noticed happen more and more as the raids develop, writes a correspondent.

Civilians, on the spot did not wait for the A.F.S. to arrive. A number, including a woman, ran into the stables and brought out the twenty frightened horses.

From all the houses around people hurried with stirrup pumps and buckets. They formed a bucket chain from the nearby canal to feed the pumps.

Others dealt with the bombs on the gardens and roads. A woman, running to the fires, paused to clap her tin helmet over a burning bomb, and ran on.

When the A.F.S. arrived they were able to get the main fires out within an hour.

Shelter "Bosses"

This is not the only way in which we are gaining new strength and experience. Saturday night I spent in the shelters of a block of L.C.C. flats in South London. In each shelter there are one, two or three people who stand out as leaders of the little high community.

They settle disputes about space, noise, smoking and the hundred other causes of friction. If somebody wants something urgently from a flat they go and fetch it.

In some shelters they are chosen by informal vote. In others they just happen. They are called "bosses."

"We had one or two starting to show favouritism," said the wiry-framed milkman who hosed our shelter — his name is Pat Cordella — but they soon found where they got off.

Which is a good example of democracy made to work and not to order.

BRITAIN GETS HER 3,000TH

In the 14 months of the war, Britain and her Allies have together accounted for over 6,000 enemy planes. This figure does not include "possibles" or "probables."

To date, British anti-aircraft gunners have shot down over 400 enemy planes over Britain — 300 by day and over 100 by night.

The total number of enemy planes shot down over Britain is now 3,000. This total was reached on Monday when two Messerschmitts were shot down for the loss of only one British fighter, the pilot of which is safe.

This total does not include 25 enemy planes destroyed by the Royal Navy and the Fleet Air Arm around our coasts.

British losses over Britain total 880 planes — or more than a 2 to 1 victory. Better still, 416 pilots were saved to fly again — a victory of 7 1/2 to 1.

Hitler's worst months were August when 1,090 enemy planes were brought down, and September when 1,071 German planes were shot out of the sky. — Reuter.

RHINE LINK HEAVILY BOMBED

MANNHEIM AND LUDWIGSHAFEN, WHICH ARE LINKED ACROSS THE RHINE BY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT RHINE BRIDGES WHICH IS USED FOR RAIL, ROAD AND FOOT TRAFFIC, WERE ATTACKED BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON TUESDAY NIGHT IN BRIT OF UNFAVOURABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

In both towns fires and explosions were observed.

The R.A.F. also attacked a blast furnace plant at Essen, while other formations bombed the Dunkirk invasion port.

Daytime attacks were made on aerodromes in German-occupied northern France on Tuesday. One British plane is missing. — Reuter.

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BRITAIN CUTS INTO GERMAN COMMERCE IN TURKEY

THE BRITISH AND Turkish Governments have now concluded arrangements which they hope will bring about a considerable increase in trade through commercial exchanges between Turkey and the British Empire.

During the validity of the arrangements provision is made that payments between Turkey and the sterling area shall be effected at the existing rate of exchange between sterling and the Turkish pound and that special accounts be created in order to facilitate commercial and other payments between the two countries.

The present arrangement is complementary to the trade and payments agreement signed in London on Feb. 3.

Reuters' diplomatic correspondent writes that the new agreement is not only of commercial but also of political significance, and is in fact a challenge by the British Government to German economic domination in the Balkans.

It is believed possible that Germany may put forward a tempting commercial proposition to Turkey but the agreement should prevent Germany ever getting her old economic predominance in Turkish economics.

Whole Field

The agreement is a result of long discussions between the British and Turkish Governments and covers the whole field of Turkish financial and commercial relations with the United Kingdom and the British Empire.

The agreement will facilitate the purchase of Turkish and other agricultural products the disposal of which is necessary for the Turkish national economy. Purchases will run into millions sterling.

The agreement will also enable the Turkish Government and local importers to import from the United Kingdom and the British Empire not only goods required for Government institutions but also other commodities such as woollens required by the producer.

Nazis Challenged

Full use will be made of the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation, which was primarily founded to facilitate trade between the United Kingdom and the Far East and which has considerably extended its spheres since it was founded in April. Hitherto geographic and economic relations have resulted in Turkey conducting about 50 per cent of her total foreign trade with Germany, while the United Kingdom has less than 10 per cent.

There is no doubt that in future the economic domination of Germany, with its desirable political implications, will be effectively challenged.—Reuters.

10,000 PYJAMA SUITS WANTED

Girls of the A.T.S. are saying good-bye to dainty "nighties" for the duration. Billeted in tents and cold empty houses they are in urgent need of pyjamas and they must be warm—preferably flannel or wool.

An appeal for ten thousand suits of these warm pyjamas has just been made by the "Spare a Trunk" Fund, of 42, Cadogan Place, London, S.W.1.

"Women's Institutes and other organisations throughout the Empire are helping us in this appeal," said Mrs. Braithwaite Wallis, an official of the fund.

SUSPECT SHOT AFTER HUNT

After Secret Service and C.I.D. officers had chased a suspected spy from Guildford through London and Northampton to Shrewsbury, and when he was almost caught, the man was found shot in a field.

Secrecy At Inquest

He was John Vincent Cain, a 33-year-old lance-corporal in a London regiment and a man with a criminal record.

Meanwhile there is mystery about the circumstances of his death: it was at first stated that he took his own life.

Great secrecy was observed at the preliminary inquest, and neither Press nor public were admitted. Whatever the ultimate verdict, sensational revelations are expected regarding Cain's activities and his past record.

Suspicion was first roused

BABY BORN IN A SHELTER

Twelve neighbours, men, women and children went into an air raid shelter in the back garden of a house in Abbotsford Avenue, South Tottenham, London, N., when an air raid warning was given.

When the "All clear" was sounded the number to leave the refuge was thirteen.

Both Doing Well

The new arrival, the thirteenth-occupant, was "Sir John"—soon to be named John Anderson Plume—the first baby to be born in an Anderson shelter.

Born on a blanket-strewn wood bench in light provided by a motor-cycle battery, John Anderson weighs seven pounds. No doctor or nurse was present during the birth but both baby and mother are "doing fine."

"Hitler certainly did me a good turn," Mrs. Plume told a reporter. "The air raid brought 'Sir John' twelve hours earlier than we expected."

"No Need For Fuss"

"I could hear thuds of bombs or anti-aircraft fire in the distance, but felt safe and happy in our shelter."

"People laughed at the 'Andersons,' but I've always believed in them and was glad of that feeling of security last night."

"The experience wasn't anything to make a fuss about. I think my husband was more jittery than I."

Both Mr. Plume, who is a french polisher, and his wife are grateful to their neighbour, Mrs. Grace Withers, who "was a real trump in taking charge."

"It certainly took my mind off the air raid," said Mrs. Withers.

when the Secret Service heard that a young man had been giving West End parties and spending money lavishly in different parts of the country.

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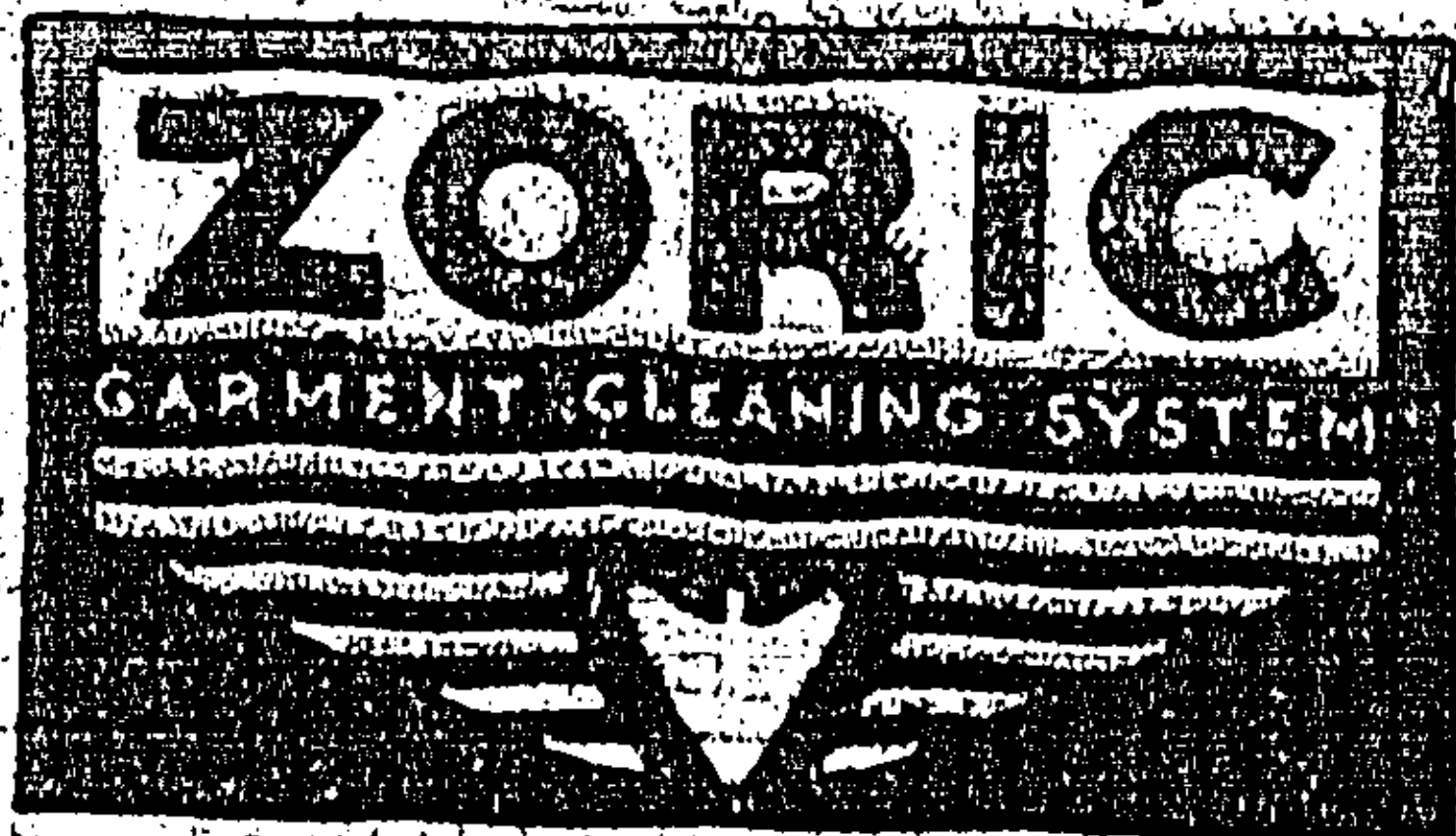
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The mustache, which Taylor adopted to such good effect in "Waterloo Bridge," will remain with him through "Escapé," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's pictorialisation of the Ethel Vance best-seller, in which he appears as a young American artist Mark Preysing, with Norma Shearer as the Countess von Treck.

HOSPITAL BOMBING

SURGEONS CLIMB TO SAVE THEIR APPARATUS

THE MERCY of healing goes on through the raids. Seven major London hospitals have been hit, yet every one of them is keeping a casualty station open in tunnels and cellars to take patients from the shattered homes around.

St. Thomas's has cleaned out its coal cellars, created operating theatres and X-ray treatment deep down under the building. Another famous hospital hit recently has all its valuable apparatus safe underground.

In these deep pits below the earth children are born and men and women have their torn bodies healed while raiders hammer above. There is one story that stands out.

One Central London hospital had moved its valuable X-ray apparatus from a top floor to one three storeys below. A bomb hit the top floor and shattered the wing the same night.

Surgeons shinned up ladders to rescue radium and the apparatus that hung in the ruins.

The building was dangerous, but they climbed around to rescue the precious specks that will save so many lives.

I went to London's most historic hospital, writes a reporter. They were evacuating patients. Most of them were air raid casualties.

They had been bombed once in their homes. They were bombed again in their wards.

They came out in stretchers to be taken by ambulance to country hospitals. Yet the rest of the hospital was reorganising.

Wards were being barricaded, operating theatres, with their merciful anaesthetics and instruments, went downstairs to a cellar that had once stored splints.

There were still raid casualties who could not be moved. They slept through a daylight raid in the ground floor wards that had desisted the first bomb and were now reinforced.

At St. Thomas's two births wiped out three wings that were waiting for raid casualties. Now the whole of the casualty clearing station has gone underground.

As casualties come in they are carried straight down the deep steps to the theatre. Sterilising pans have stoves under them, great bins hold pure water, hurricane lamps cover the electric plant.

Operations will go on with the most primitive power. Yet patients who live underground and do not see the day get sun-ray treatment to nourish them.

It is natural that the nurses and surgeons are ready. Some of them must wait on ground level to classify the patients, organise the departments.

Surgeons of great talent wait at the entrance to the hospital, standing in their tin hats and white coats, knowing that every hospital is a natural target. Several surgeons have been killed in the raids.

There are many who will still wait through the raids to try to rescue a limb or a breath of life from the disaster that falls around them.

Their service was always high and beyond distinction. Now they wait in the halls of their hospitals, night after night, trying to stem the moments of agony of the shattered people who are brought to them for the salvation of their science.

Maternity Ward Scene

Behind them are the nurses who take their own danger and that of others so quietly. In the tunnels they wheel the sick and the injured to wards that were once cellars.

There is a deep smell of ether and antiseptic in these corridors that once breathed coal and dirt. Day and night the nurses of St. Thomas's work their own rooms shattered above them. They sleep on mattresses near their patients.

Food, medicines, and even flowers are still produced.

I saw one maternity ward working on a difficult case while above workmen were still trying to rescue the beds and apparatus from what had been a maternity ward.

Mercifully the mothers and babies had been moved. Mercifully the births still went on.

The debt is real to these people.

SABOTAGE IN GERMANY

In the German newspapers, cases of sabotage are being reported. Formerly there was a strict ban on such information.

Presumably publication is intended as a warning because of the increase in these incidents.

SAW TWIN KILLED

Trapped with his younger brother in a cart drawn by a runaway horse, a London boy was flung to death before the eyes of his twin sister.

The children had been evacuated for safety to their uncle's Cumberland farm.

Riding in the cart were Edwin Harrison Jeffrey, aged thirteen, and his brother Hugh, aged ten, sons of Mr. John Edwin Jeffrey, chemist and dentist, of King's Road, Chelsea, London.

The horse was led by a farm hand, Harold Dickinson. While passing along a cart track above an embankment the horse took fright and bolted.

Skull Fractured

Dickinson held on to the reins till he was pulled over the embankment. Then the horse and cart, with the two boys in it, rolled over and over.

The boys were thrown out and were found lying together half way down the embankment. Edwin was unconscious and died later from a fracture of the skull. Hugh had a fractured leg.

Walking behind the cart was Jean Caroline, Edwin's twin sister.

Dickinson told the coroner at the inquest at Brampton, Cumberland, "I can give no reason why the horse took fright."

Mr. Harry Mason, the boy's uncle, said: "The cart had rubber tyres which were inclined to be slippery. You never know what will happen with boys in a cart."

The coroner recorded a verdict that Edwin Jeffrey was accidentally killed through the overturning of a cart.

WEEK-END PILOTS BAG 29 IN 10 DAYS

A squadron of R.A.F. "week-end pilots" has brought down sixty-three enemy planes — twenty-nine in ten days — without the loss of a single pilot.

Its name is the City of Glasgow 602 Fighter Squadron Auxiliary Air Force.

One of the pilots in a letter to Lord Provost Dorian, described a recent air fight.

"I had a grand tussle with a Messerschmidt 109, which lasted for about four minutes, but I managed to get him in the end," he wrote.

"It was a magnificent spectacle. Up to 20,000ft. the air was full of a whirling mass of aircraft. So many Jerry's were falling out and coming down by parachute that it looked almost like an invasion."

"One of our pilots who came down by parachute when his aircraft was hit and burst into flames was cornered on a farm by a crowd of angry farmers all armed with pitchforks."

"They thought he was a Jerry."



STANDING UP TO THE ENEMY

It is some three months since the intensified night bombing of London began. Save on one or two nights of bad weather it has never ceased and it has been accompanied by full scale murder attacks on some other areas, notably Coventry, Birmingham, Southampton, Bristol and Liverpool (Merseyside). The casualties inflicted have been almost entirely civilian; the damage wrought has mainly, though of course not entirely, been to homes and to premises not engaged in war work. Unless on the totalitarian theory that a country's war strength is its entire population, and every man, woman, and child is a legitimate target, it is impossible to justify the greater part of what the German bombers have done. Where they have aimed, instead of bombing at random, some of their choices of aim have been infamous—in particular, the concentration of their attack upon hospitals.

So far as the enemy's plans were directed to breaking the spirit of our people, they have failed. Neither in the Metropolis nor elsewhere has the reaction of the victims been towards giving in. The whole nation realises now that there is no room for it; that we are fighting against an enemy who knows neither mercy nor fair play and is incapable of compromise; and that there is nothing for us but to fight on regardless of losses, until we pull him down, as by patience and steady perseverance in applying our superior resources we undoubtedly shall. Even if the actual devastation of London and Southampton were such as the German propaganda already pictures it, we could still have no thought of surrender. For giving in would involve our whole nation in a permanent and irretrievable ruin, beside which the temporary ruin of the bricks and mortar of a city can sustain no sort of comparison.

The trial is severe. But no one who witnesses it will gainsay that the spirit of the people from top to bottom (and not least at the bottom) has been truly magnificent. Never had a democratic Government a stauncher democracy at its back. What is now required is that the immediate needs arising out of the air war should be fully and promptly dealt with. No one need be surprised if the crisis

For about four months now the British Empire virtually single-handed has been standing up to the combined power of two great military dictatorships of Europe.

More, indeed, than standing up. It has continued to wage against them an economic offensive. It has launched and sustained a great air offensive against Nazi Germany's power of waging war. It has reinforced its strength on its "second front" in the Middle East.

Yet when France collapsed there were many, not only among our enemies but among our friends in neutral countries, who thought that Britain could not be expected to stand alone against the two combined dictatorships.

That our enemies, exultant in their victories, should have believed this was natural. But there were in fact reasons enough for anxiety—reasons which became acute when there was a prospect that the French navy would fall into German hands.

In the United States a pessimistic view of the situation was marked and the early collapse of Britain was gloomily forecast in some quarters.

The new world felt itself threatened.

It appeared to many there that the British Navy could not retain control of the Atlantic and Britain herself with her air force outnumbered and her army without equipment seemed to lie open for an invasion.

To-day the confidence of our friends has been restored. It has been demonstrated, and this is perhaps the outstanding feature of this phase of war, that British bases are safe. The British Isles will not fall.

What has brought about this astonishing change in the situation? In the first instance, no doubt, it is due to the courage of the British race and its leaders all over the world and to their refusal to accept defeat.

In the wildest sense it is to the cooperation of the three fighting services that must be attributed the Empire's power for continuing the struggle. The navy has continued to control sea communications and to it is owed not only Britain's food supply but armaments manufacture and raw materials.

It has maintained at the same time the stranglehold of the blockade and with the air force made the attempts at invasion prohibitively dangerous except to fanatics rushing to their doom.

To the magnificent courage and efficiency of the R.A.F. is owed an equal debt. It has contributed largely towards making naval operations and movements of shipping possible in the water where they are exposed to air attack. It has repulsed air attacks which might have destroyed British industry and greatly reduced losses that otherwise would have

revealed some deficiencies. Where the obstacle has been red tape, it is being cut; where it has consisted in the confusion of authorities and the resulting tendency for initiative and responsibility to fall down between a multiplicity of stools, the method chosen is to fix a definite authority for definite tasks, and to clothe it with adequate powers. The appointment of Sir Warren Fisher with wide powers to clear up London's debris was an example in point, and deserved signalling as one of the wisest steps that the Government had yet taken in this field.

By Major General Sir Charles Gwynn

been suffered from air bombardment.

Behind the lines of defence provided by the Navy and the air force the army has been re-armed and re-organised. The Home Guard has sprung into existence and has been equipped. Ground defences against air attack have also been multiplied. Every section of the population in Britain and throughout the Empire has thrown itself into the struggle. To the workmen and to their machines special credit is due.

By general consent then including, I assure, that of its enemies the Empire's base is now secure. It may be damaged by air attacks but at a great cost and the damage will at least be equalled by the damage inflicted on Germany.

Britain is intact and has built up an immensely powerful defensive line, one which depends for its strength as much on human material and spirit as on steel and concrete. Britain must not however fall a victim to the Maginot complex and become obsessed solely with the problem of defending her base. Actions are being carried out by the R.A.F. and in the Navy healthy signs of the offensive spirit have been retained. But the importance of the Empire's outposts must not be forgotten in the determination to defend the base.

Egypt and the Middle East have become almost as important a theatre of operations as Britain itself. Imperial security there is of vital importance. There also may arise an opportunity not only for frustrating the enemy's intentions but for striking back.

Looking back on these three months the Empire has made an amazing recovery both in itself and in the world's estimation. Is it surprising that confidence has been restored and neutral opinion has been impressed? But Mr. Churchill is wise to insist that there is a long and hard road to travel and that it extends out of the present range of vision and the British people must steel themselves for the journey. There can be no thought of repose or relaxation of effort.

The moral and material assistance which the Empire's efforts have won from its friends is perhaps the most reassuring tribute that could be paid to them.

The air war may continue for a long period with only minor alterations in methods. We are afforded an opportunity of reviewing the situation in other theatres of war and potential theatres. Libya and Abyssinia are of course the only other active theatres but potential theatres are numerous.

In Libya Graziani is still attempting to develop communications and an advance base at Sidi Barrani. Subjected to bombardment by naval guns on one side, to harassing attacks by mobile land units on the other and to air attacks, his preparations necessarily proceed slowly. He is suffering losses in material and communications of his advanced troops make considerable demands on his resources.

Meanwhile Allied forces have deployed in strength in and behind strongly fortified positions at Mersa Matruh. It is an army in which many nations are represented and all its constituents are imbued with an offensive spirit. What was perhaps a criticism situation now inspires confidence for while it would be a profound error to underestimate Italian strength in numbers, quality and material, the Allied army is now formidable also.

The opposing armies, however, are and may remain for sometime

outside striking distance of each other for anything in the nature of offensive attack and counter-attack.

Before the offensive stage is reached Graziani may receive reinforcements of aircraft and mechanised troops from Germany. But it seems to me improbable that they would be on a large scale.

For the German Air Force is pretty fully engaged in the Battle of Britain and part is presumably needed on Germany's eastern frontier.

Sea communications with Libya are by no means safe from disturbance and unless they can be made safe it is doubtful if Germany would risk sending many valuable troops across the Mediterranean.

On the Abyssinia-Kenya frontier skirmishing takes place freely, but there seems little prospect of any important development there.

The Italian occupation of Somaliland, as expected, has produced no change in the general military situation.

Fronting the Sudan at Kassala the Italians are prepared for an offensive operation, but it is unlikely to mature until it can be synchronised with a major attempt by Graziani in Libya. How far the Italians in Abyssinia possess the resources for a serious invasion of the Sudan is doubtful. In any case they would meet stout opposition and be exposed to harassing counter-attacks. Important events are definitely pending in North Africa but there may be considerable delay before they develop.

Of the other regions that demand attention Spain is perhaps more important. Pressure is obviously being put on General Franco to make a move on Gibraltar, presumably with Axis assistance.

Berlin prophesies that Spain will join the three-Power Pact. Italy hints at Spain's entry into the war.

No fact is more certain than that Spain is war-weary. She is extremely impoverished as a result of her own civil-war and the interruption to trade caused by the present war.

She stands to lose more than she can even be promised by the Axis by going to war. Perhaps her attitude, like that of others, is one of waiting on the outcome of the air-battle of Britain.

Axis pressure on Balkan countries has brought Rumania and Hungary into the position of dependent states. Obviously, however uncertain, the attitude of Russia exercises a restraining influence on other developments.

It seems certain that the Germans or Italians will not resort to the use of force in the Balkans if they can achieve their aims by threats. Apart from the danger of a collision with Russia, it is obvious that military operations of any sort in the Balkans would interfere with the transport of oil and other supplies which the Axis powers require.

Diplomatic pressure on Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece will no doubt be heavy, but Greece alone seems in danger. The British guarantee, which of course has a direct bearing on the naval situation in the Mediterranean, is bitterly resented by Berlin and Rome. A German attack on Turkey, even if the Balkan countries acquiesced, seems improbable; not only owing to Russia's relations with Turkey, but because it would involve very extensive military operations which could not achieve rapid results.

How far Germany is convinced by the Finnish War that Russia does not constitute a military danger is hard to say. For in the later stages of that war the previously low estimates of Russian efficiency were considerably revised upwards.

The pact of Japan with the Axis Powers, designed to place a brake on Anglo-American collaboration, has had if anything the opposite result: What the effect will be on the attitude of Russia is still ob-

Some Very Odd Jobs

Are you tired of your job? Would you like to do something a little more out of the ordinary? If so, here are a few suggestions for you?

Why not be a professional corpse? Leo Moore has played the corpse in over a hundred film productions and is Hollywood's best paid small part actor. Before he won success, however, he had to work hard practising to control his muscles and breathing so that the illusion of death would be complete.

Another man who earns his living by pretending to be lifeless is Rudolf Nedvidek, who is a professional tailor's dummy. He stands for hours in shop windows without moving an eyelid, however much passers-by may stare at him.

By Mary Bridges

If your senses are keener than the average you might earn your living as a wine or tea-taster, a cheese sampler or a milk drinker, employed by one of the big dairy companies to test and grade samples of milk. Even your nose might find you a job. One American gas company employs an elderly negro to go sniffing the air in the streets of the town they supply to detect any leaks. He is paid for each leakage he discovers.

Perhaps a life-time of potato-peeling does not appeal to you; but Mr. J. H. Hickman, champion potato peeler of the Cunard Line, loves his work and says that it is highly-skilled. He has peeled over 3,000,000 potatoes.

A Bolton man found an original way of making a living. He goes round from house to house with a bottle of gilt paint and offers to regild the numbers on doors when they are dull and hard to see. Another man earned £3 a week simply by carrying round a bucket of water at race meetings for the bookmakers to dip their sponges in it.

A London girl makes a very good living as a professional shopper. She buys clothes for women who live far away from town and has customers not only in the provinces but all over the world. Very different are the jobs of some girls in the film studios. They are employed as "agers" to fill the demand for old clothes for screen tramps and down-and-outs. They can make the smartest suit look old and threadbare in a few minutes by rubbing it on a rough wall or skillfully staining it.

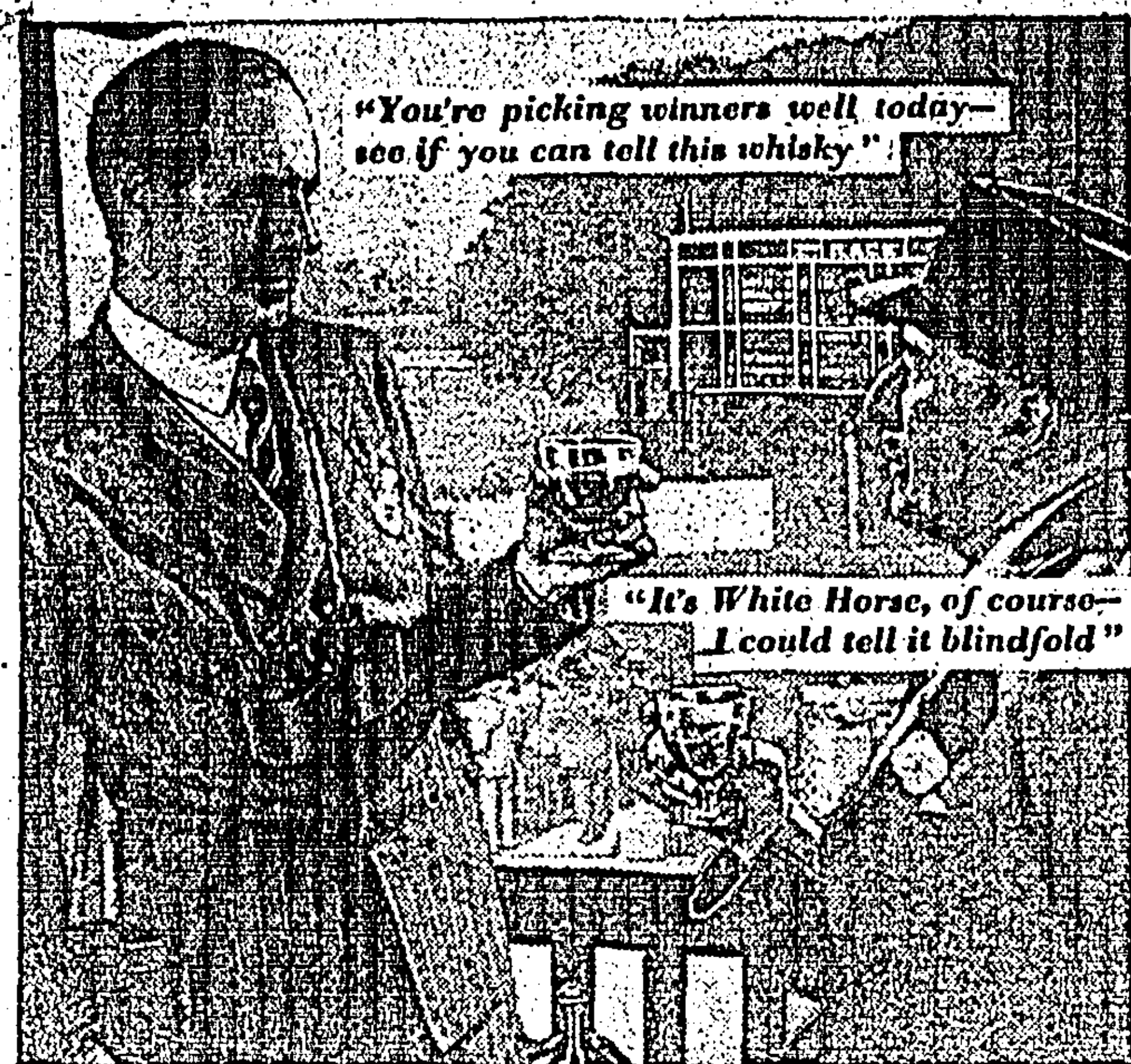
Then there are the human "guinea pigs" who allow doctors and scientists to try out all kinds of queer experiments on them. One man earned £10 a month by allowing the doctors to give him headaches to aid them in their search for a cure for migraine.

Less painful but far more dangerous is the window cleaner's job. Not the ordinary window cleaner, but those employed on the skyscrapers of New York. The window cleaning staff of the Empire State Building, which has 102 storeys, are among the highest paid unskilled workers in the world, earning £8 a week while every man is insured for 1,000 dollars and is given regular medical examination. Most of the workers are of Polish origin.

secure and so far it does not seem materially to have changed the general military situation.

In the situation the outstanding point to my mind is that Germany, who up to now has won victories mainly through her army, is unable to discover the theatre in which she can use her army to the detriment of Britain.

It may become purely an Army of European Occupation. She must rely almost solely on her air force for offensive power. And in the air she has met her match.



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LAND MINES IN NAZI RAIDS ON BRITAIN

THE LATEST WEAPON being used by Nazi raiders over Britain, the "land mine," is vividly described in a letter received in Shanghai recently from home. The terrible effects of this weapon, the sole purpose of which is the destruction of houses and small buildings, result from the fact that there is a tremendous horizontal explosion when it hits the ground, and poorly-built houses are simply blown down like a pack of cards. The land mine, which is dropped by parachute, floats down noiselessly, and cannot be accurately aimed, since it drifts about before landing.

Extracts from the letter follow:—

"As I write this letter an air-raid is in progress and the German 'planes are met with some of our anti-aircraft fire which is going off with bangs which shake the house.

"The Huns come over in waves at night and one of their routes to London seems to be right over our house. They have a most annoying hum or drone which is irregular in tone and volume and the closest (one's going over now) parallel I can give is the purring of a cat, the hum of an oscillating fan, or a car running on three cylinders.

"Last Saturday one of the bombers was caught in a network of searchlights just over our house and was said to have been chased by a couple of Hurricanes. However, following the characteristic indiscriminate practice of the Hun, the swine just let go his two 500 pound aerial torpedoes which went off, one four doors away, and the other six doors away.

"D., C., and I were in the dining room at the time and we just hurled ourselves on the floor. There was a terrific woomph of rushing air. The windows crashed outwards, scattering glass all over the shop, and three of the ceilings came down whilst doors and windows just snapped themselves like bits of rotten wood.

"Then before we had time to recover the next explosion shook the house and we rushed in to the children in the next room, and, believe it or not, they were, by a miracle, unharmed—and still asleep!

For a week or two previous to the experience I had just mentioned I had been trying my hand at mending ceilings, filling in cracks and so forth, and generally making a mess with the plaster, cement and whitewash.

Remembers Shanghai Bombings

"With young G. it has been rather difficult, as he still subconsciously remembers the Shanghai bombings and is most highly strung. We explained that bombs had been dropped and they made a big typhoon which seemed to satisfy his curiosity—up to a point. "Hitherto we had considered ourselves perfectly safe and would often walk into the garden at night and watch London's terrific welcome of A.A. guns which form a curtain of bright starlight explosions in the air some many miles away.

"With this feeling of confidence, our next door neighbours agreed on the fateful night to let their youngster, who is about eight, stay up and watch the barrage, and no sooner had he put his head out of the window than did the two torpedoes go off. He was unharmed but suffered such a shock that he was fairly hysterical afterwards.

"We are trying to get a shelter built but there is such a demand and in addition government restrictions on cement, that we simply do not know when we'll have it.

"As you have doubtless read in the papers the Germans put all our main stations, Victoria, London Bridge, etc., out of action—they started to function again the other night—and I was spending 6½ hours a day in travelling and coming home with a raid on at nights.

"We get used to anything. In time, but the Germans have now introduced a new weapon—the land mine. This devilish contraption is, I am told, about eight feet long and has a parachute attached to it so that it comes down noiselessly. As it nears the ground a device is said to set fire to the parachute and thus the

mine falls a short distance. On its nose are said to be a number of prongs, and on hitting the earth these monsters go off—Bang."

Noiseless Descent

"The idea of the parachute is partly to allow the descent to be noiseless and so take the unsuspecting population unawares and murder them before they can fall flat or take to their shelters; partly to prevent the mine from burying itself before exploding. The diabolical effect on exploding is, therefore, to create a terrific horizontal blast which, on poorly constructed houses, hits them at their foundations and down they come, a whole row of them, like a pack of cards.

"There is another idea about the parachute to the mine and it is this. The German swine comes along—shuts the engine off, drops the parachute and is off in sufficient time to escape detection.

"The introduction of this parachute mine wipes out all arguments which the Germans may advance to support the supposition that they only bomb military objectives.

"The parachute is a most inaccurate affair, capable of being blown hither and thither by the wind, and from my own experience, and with my own eyes, I can say that if they do hit a military objective it is more by chance than by any desire upon the part of the bomber. But if the defenceless homes of sleeping men, women and children are a military target in the eyes of the German Luftwaffe, then they may claim a 99 per cent. accuracy in their bombings.

Evidence Is Clear

"I never felt it possible for me to find myself capable of harbouring so much white-hot hate for the German as I do now. When civilians have been killed I have, in fairness, tried to see the military object which was missed, and have, against my will, shrugged my shoulders and put it down to bad shooting on the part of the Germans. The evidence now is clear. A little Surrey town I passed through the other evening was intact. Next morning when I went through it a great part of it was in ruins. Except again that one considers the homes of defenceless civilians to be military objectives—there was not a military objective hit, just the ruins of simple homes of simpler people—over 200 homes wrecked.

"And this afternoon a German plane, right outside our house, came down to about 400 feet and machine-gunned C. and the two children as their first target. Again, by the luck of our family, they rushed into the house and escaped unharmed, C. being very much shaken by the experience.

"Let them blow up military objectives—railways, factories and so on, but to strike indiscriminately as they are doing is just plain murder, and when this war is over and won, there must be a murderer's fate for every German. There are honest to goodness decent Germans, much as there are honest to goodness decent Jews, but as the Nazis don't believe the latter case, why should we make an effort to believe the former?

"There is a growing demand for reprisals against Berlin. It will come. Every day we are gaining in strength. Their invasion has a matter of days left to be attempted. I pray that 1941 will find us ready to take the offensive and to smash these perverted swine over the brink of the world and into the blackness of the region beyond—where they belong. Now I guess you know how I feel."



Distinctive in styling, trim in look is this sports outfit worn by Deanna Durbin, star of Universal's "Spring Parade." The dress is of sheer beige wool with tailored top and flared skirt gathered to front fullness. Deanna's casual coat is a shepherd's check of beige and brown.

GERMANS RATTLED BY R.A.F. RAIDS

Travellers and seamen arriving at Baltic ports from Germany bring reports, which are ever more persistent, of the effects of the British night-raids, especially on the temper of the German people, who are growing more and more impatient. Even among the troops in Holland and Belgium war enthusiasm, it is said, is declining.

Apparently the relative inactivity and the delayed invasion of Great Britain, although it is repeatedly announced to be impending, has gone a long way to undermine the spirit of the soldiers, and the belief is growing, not only among the rank and file, but also among the officers, that they have bitten off more than they can chew in challenging Great Britain across the sea. This belief is strengthened by the many German bodies washed up on the shores.

These casualties are reported to be due to experimental exercises in embarkation in preparation for invasion as well as to the activities of British submarines and the Norwegian phantom ship Sleipner.

Some of the lives lost off the coasts of Holland and Belgium are certainly due to the recent bombing by the R.A.F. of heavily laden craft which had been assembled for an attempt at invasion.

Seamen say the most extensive havoc has been wrought by British airmen, especially at the ports of Hamburg and Bremen. This may explain an advertisement now appearing in the German Press for engineers, surveyors, builders, and electricians to proceed to Hamburg. Attractive conditions and long contracts are offered.



Jackie Cooper and Bonita Granville are teamed together as high school sweethearts in "Gallant Sons." Other well-known players in the cast include Gene Reynolds, Ian Hunter, Gail Patrick, June Preisser and William Tracy.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN SAYS

"I THINK YOU'RE GREAT" ON OCEAN 'PHONE

CHARLIE CHAPLIN spoke to London recently — and there were almost tears in his voice, writes a London correspondent.

It was not Mr. Charles Chaplin, the film magnate and philosopher, who spoke to me from New York — but Charlie, the great little Londoner, who has just done magnificent service for his country and humanity by his brave and sensational film "The Great Dictator," shown in New York for the first time.

The speech ending the film, when, as a little Jewish barber (double of the dictator), he calls on the soldiers to fight to free the world, "to do away with greed, hate, and intolerance," is expected to have profound effect throughout the United States.

It was hailed in that country as the greatest act of propaganda for the British cause carried out by any single man since the war began.

Undoubtedly this was largely the reason I was permitted the unusual call to him at his New York hotel.

Far more eager to hear about his native London than to talk about his great film, he listened excitedly to my account of how London was carrying on. He continually interrupted with "Great! Oh, that's simply great!" Then he burst out:

"I wish I could express what I feel in my heart for the British people in their splendid courage."

'Thumbs Up'

"When we see the news reel, and we see that great sign 'thumbs up,' when we see children with their thumbs up, when we see the Londoners standing amid the smoking ruins of their homes and still able to raise a smile, it is the greatest inspiration in the world."

His clear modulated voice, which Londoners will soon hear for the first time in films in articulate form — a perfect English voice, with no trace either of his Cockney childhood or his long years in the States — trembled as he spoke.

Charlie, one-time Kennington boy, became Mr. Charles Chaplin as he spoke of his film. He showed the same courageous opinions over the telephone as he does in his film-character as the little Jewish barber. He told me that when he

began to make the film he did not think that war was certain.

'For Freedom'

"I merely tried to use what skill I have in an endeavour to help defeat these horrible totalitarian States," he explained.

"It was because of my strong anti-Nazi feeling that I made the picture. I wanted to do something for freedom and liberty."

"But the final speech I wrote after the war began. In fact, I only added it just as I was about to complete the film."

"I wanted that speech to appeal to all the English-speaking world. Many people have different ideas about it — has a purely humanitarian aspect."

"You know, it is not fair for me to make a propaganda picture in this country. In this speech I am merely a humanitarian speaking to the military, barbaric people."

"But I must confess that I wouldn't mind if it had an effect on the people of the United States — and everybody believes that it is going to do a great deal for our cause."

No Threats

Chaplin told me that he had not been threatened since making the film.

"I have received a few crank letters, that's all, but no real threats," he said. "I have no special guard — but I keep my eyes open. I'm not afraid of any of them."

About the final issue of the war he expressed no doubts. "Totalitarianism cannot last whatever happens. In Europe it is a passing phase. It cannot endure — it will not. In the end, all that matters is the individual — and I believe in the individual."

The unexpected call from London was evidently even a greater surprise and delight to him than to me, and his last cheering words rang out clear from New York: "Carry on! Thumbs up!"

HOUSES ROBBED BY GERMANS

Every house in Guernsey has been searched by German troops and all food, canned (and preserved), taken away.

This is disclosed by a Channel Island refugee in a letter to Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P.

The inhabitants of the island are allowed two meals a day.

The refugee also states that he has heard from his four sisters, left in Guernsey, that his seventy-four-year-old brother-in-law was machine-gunned and killed on the first day of the German invasion.

MOSLEY AT A PRISON CAMP

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN BRIXTON PRISON—INCLUDING SIR OSWALD MOSLEY AND OTHER PROMINENT FASCISTS—HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRED TO AN INTERNMENT CAMP, LATCHMERE HOUSE, HAM COMMON, RICHMOND.

In the House of Commons Mr. Stoke (Soc., Ipswich) asked the Minister of Home Security whether he was aware that in some cases prisoners had been questioned by the military.

Mr. Peake replied that Latchmere House was not a military detention camp, although the commandant and guards were provided by the War Office.

It was used for the temporary detention of persons thought to be in possession of information of value to the Government.

R.A.F. MEN LAND IN GERMANY

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Pilot Officer Robert David Wawn, of Sydney, Australia, landed with a crew of three and stepped out for a smoke, states the report.

Their Hampden, Hereford P2070 of the 50th Bomber Squadron carried unreleased pigeons, the Germans said.

Names of the crew were given as: John Scholfield, Princes Road, Doncaster; Sergeant Ralf Smith, Elswick Road, Newcastle; and Sergeant Henry Bushell, Westwood Park, London, S.E. —Associated Press.

AXIS IN SHANGHAI STRAINED?

For the past several months, local Germans and Italians have met together at the German School in Great Western Road, Shanghai, every Thursday night, says the "North China Daily News." Last Thursday, however, only Germans were present. Apparently, invitations were not sent to Italians.

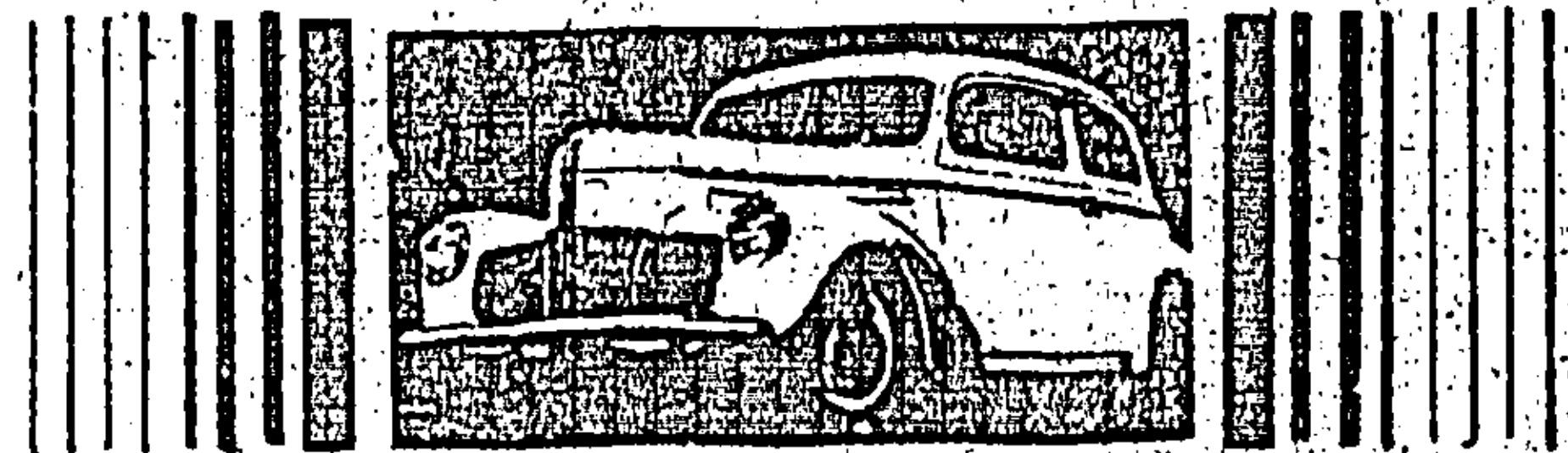
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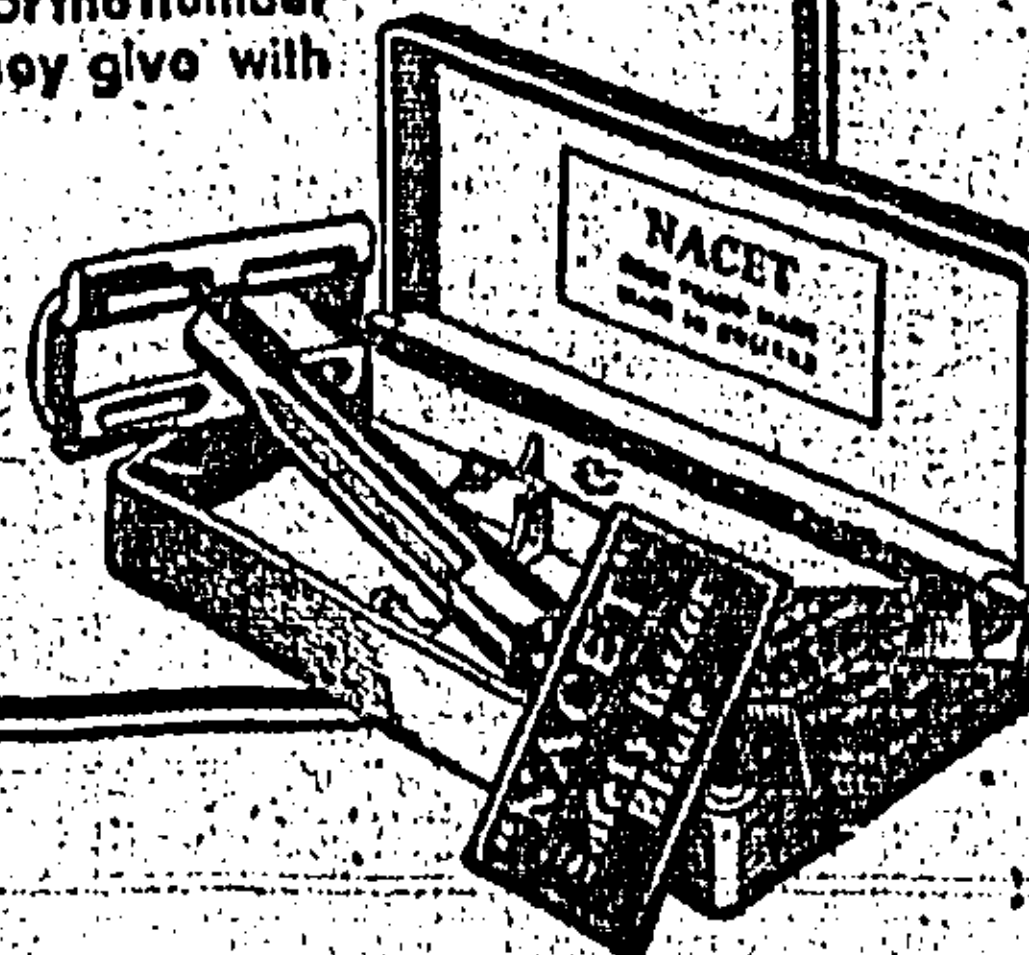


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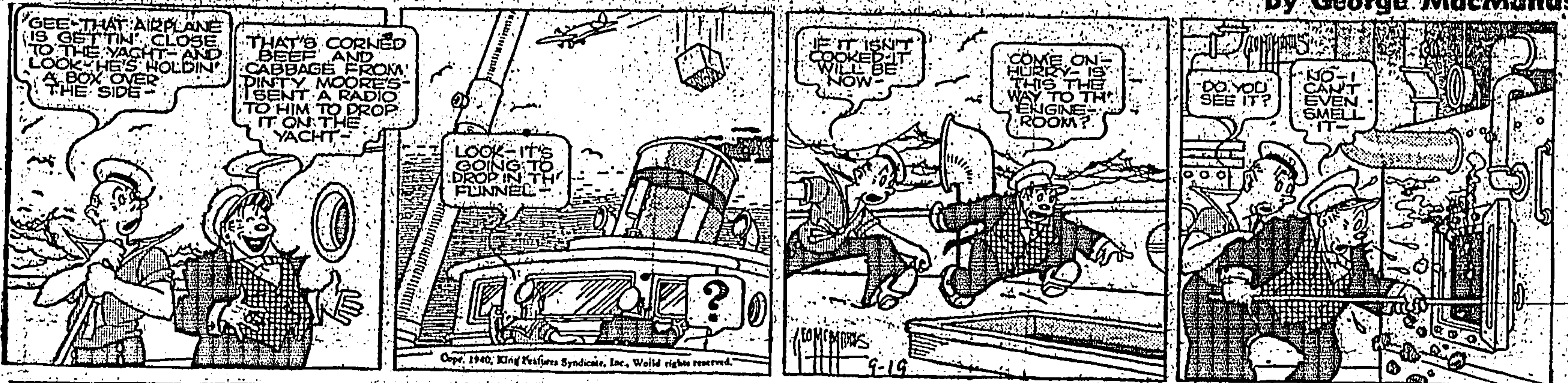
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Advised On Cosmetics

It's about time we considered those happy, pretty youngsters from ten to fifteen. They have their vanity too, and should be advised which beauty aids are essential and how to use them.

A complexion brush and a tube of liquid soap (or any other good bland soap) are invaluable companions for the younger lady. Being more active than her older sister her complexion needs frequent scrubbing to relieve the pores of secreted wastes. Three times a week is not too frequent for facial shampoos. A bit of pure cold cream may be used for dry skin lubrication.

No powder, please, you sweet young things, be glad you can show a fresh, translucent face to the world. Every older girl and woman envies you your youthful skin. A rose pomade lipstick does more than keep your lips tinted a soft girlish shade—it protects them from getting chapped on nippy days.

Until you are sixteen or older do not wear nail polishes. For special party nights you might wear a very soft pink or rose, but don't ruin the freshness of your years and display poor taste by wearing the blatant shades. Keep your cuticle smooth, your nails shaped oval but not long, and spotlessly clean.

Schedule Your Chief Beauty Rituals

You are never too young to learn the important details of personal cleanliness. Your teeth must be brushed every day once or twice and dental floss should be drawn between them before going to bed; bathe every day by taking a swim, shower or tub bath and



A good brushing is exhilarating and greatly beautifies the hair. Young girls adore those new crystallite-plastic brushes which are light as a feather, coloured if you desire, and easy to keep sanitary. Just whisking through soapsuds does the trick!

resort to a morning sponge bath. Keep your toenails looking just as nice as you do your finger nails, and don't forget to brush your feet well with suds when you are in the tub.

Once a week or every ten days, shampoo your own hair if you do not go along with mother to a salon. Very young things, who go hatless most of the time, require an occasional hot oil or hot reconditioning oil treatment. You

should be allowed to have your own bottle of bland, liquid shampoo but if mother objects to buying one, make your own shampoo. Shave a bar of castile soap into hot water and let it melt. You will soon learn how much you should shave and melt to give your hair two soappings when you shampoo. Rinse hair well in clear waters several times or stand under the shower until your hair squeaks from cleanliness!

Under no circumstances be tempted to use a bleach or tint on your hair, a masque on your young skin, mascara on your lashes, too bright lip rouge or vivid polishes.

Your terribly sweet as you are (when perfectly groomed!) and might be more attractive than the girl who tries to look sophisticated by using aids meant for older, fading beauty!

Beautify Dry Skin

The woman who has a dry skin, whether it is sensitive or not, has difficulty in keeping it smooth. The least overdose of sun, a drive in the open, or a nippy day will irritate her face. She finds her skin slightly allergic to certain and other beauty aids.

A cleansing cream is necessary to remove make-up or dust, but the creaming should be followed by a washing with bland soap and warm water. Many experts are convinced that soap cleansing robs the skin of oil. I cannot agree with them. Soap cleansing is necessary for any skin. You must depend upon a skin oil or rich cream for extra lubrication, and a lotion or light cream foundation base to keep your make-up intact for the hours you are away from home.

There is a new liquefying cleanser available this fall which is kind to the most sensitive skins and does a neat job of ridding the pores of dirt and secretions. It looks good enough to eat (a luscious pink) and comes in an adorable container with a large bee on its lid. It will delight those women who like a quickly melting texture for cream cleansing.

A Lubricating Aid

Another boon to dry skin care is a pure vegetable oil which one heats slightly in a pan of hot water before applying to the face, or, for

that matter, to any part of the body including the scalp which needs lubricating and toning. The longer you leave it on your skin the better, but a busy woman may wear it only an hour or two and still reap beauty. It smooths and soothes. Applied to a freshly cleansed skin just before you take a hot bath is an effective way of banishing that fatigued look at the end of the day.

For Skin Protection

If a woman once acquires the habit of using a foundation lotion or cream beneath her make-up, she will never feel dressed without it. Such a formula protects the skin from the weather, keeps it dewy soft and holds make-up intact. But it isn't simple to find the perfect foundation for your specific skin texture and condition, so don't be discouraged if the first one you buy does not prove entirely satisfactory.

The trick in using any foundation lotion is to allow enough time to apply it. Over a clean skin spread it, wait at least three minutes then blot off any excess with fresh tissue or a towel. With finger tips blend in your cream rouge and press on powder with absorbent cotton. Whisk away surplus with a powder brush, smooth your brows, touch up your lashes, and colour your pretty lips. Now the dry-skin lady is a beauty and should go out and have a very happy time!

Hints To B.W.O.F. Knitters

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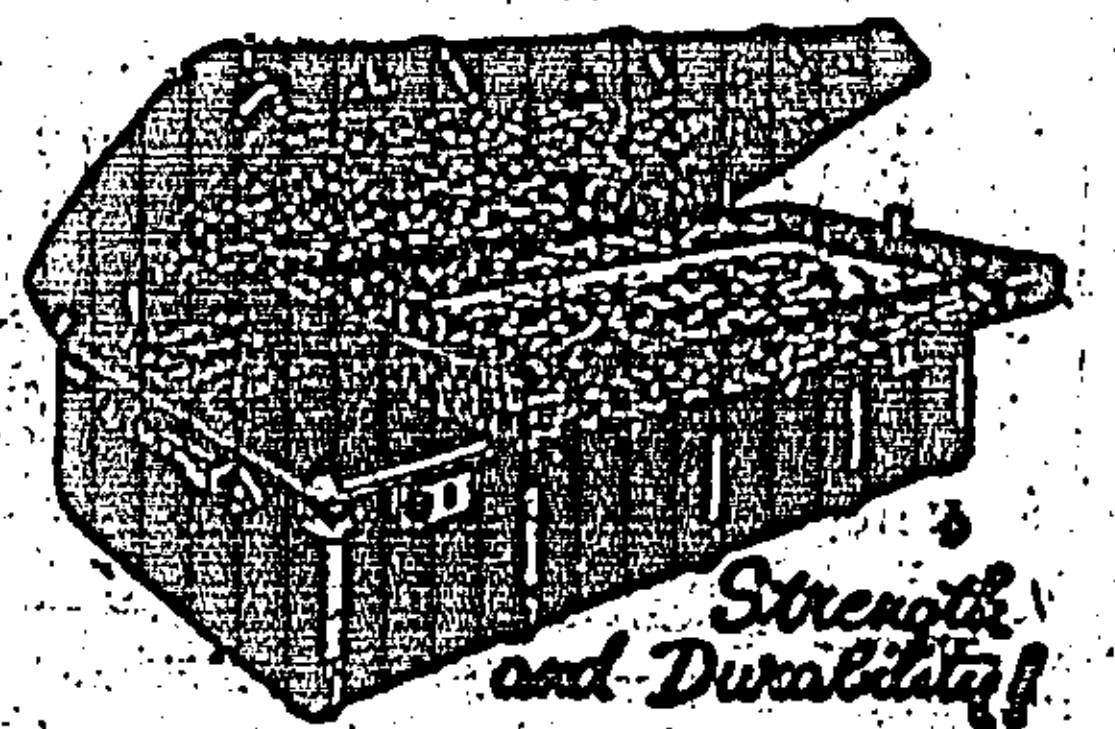
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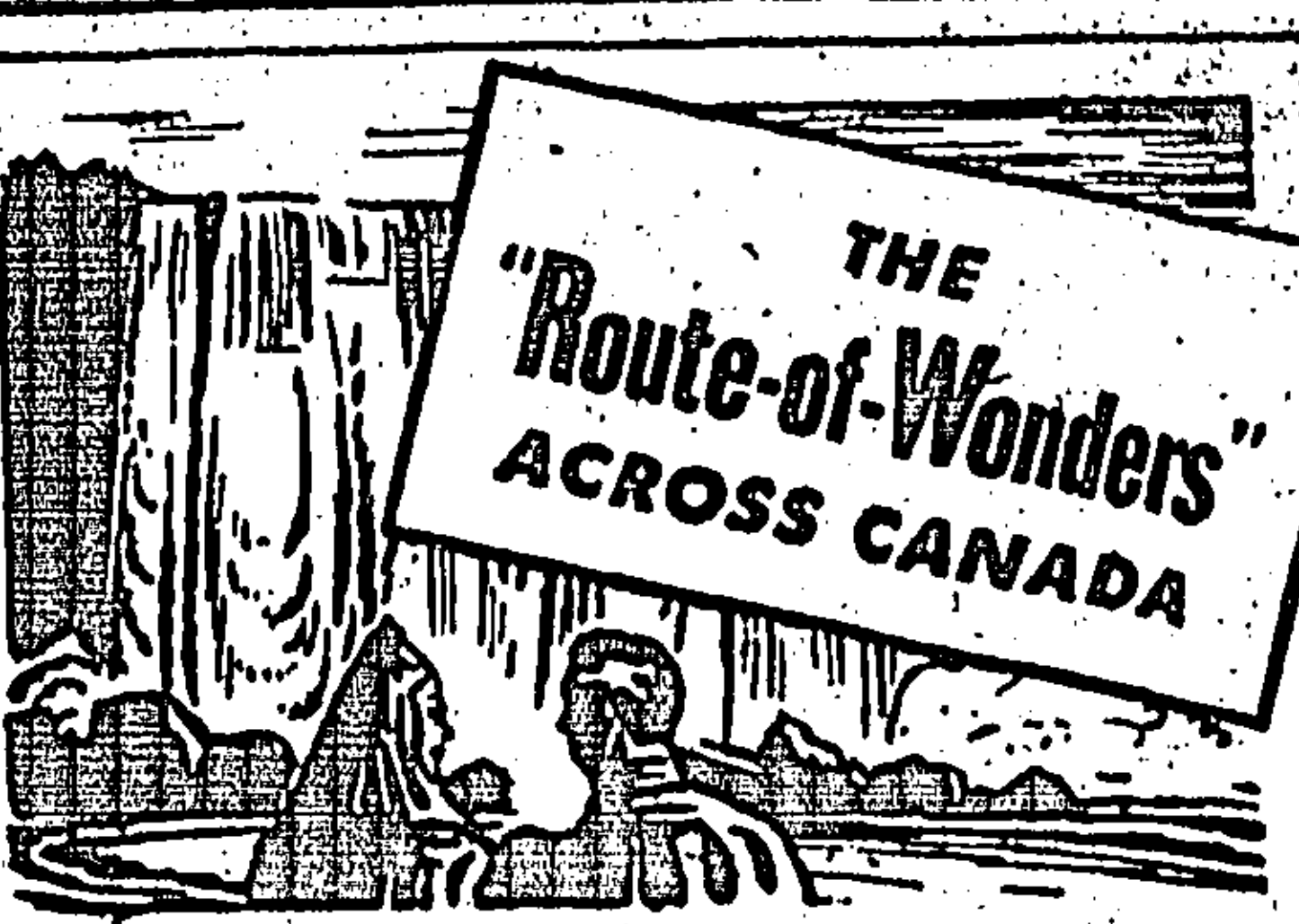
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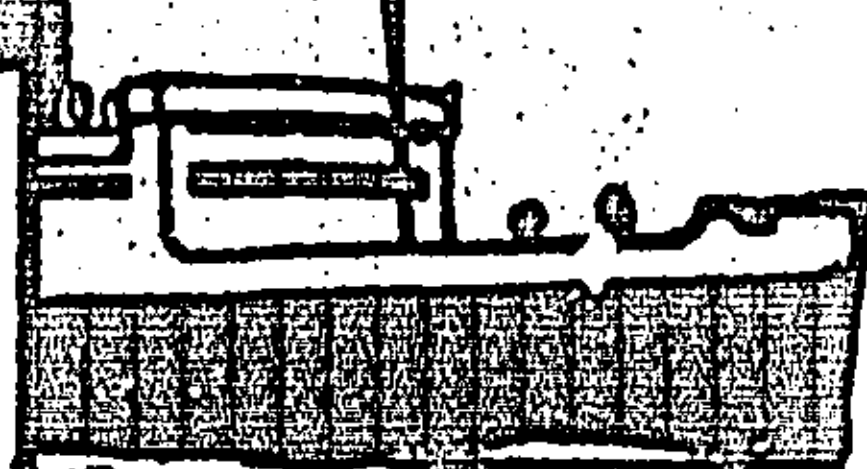
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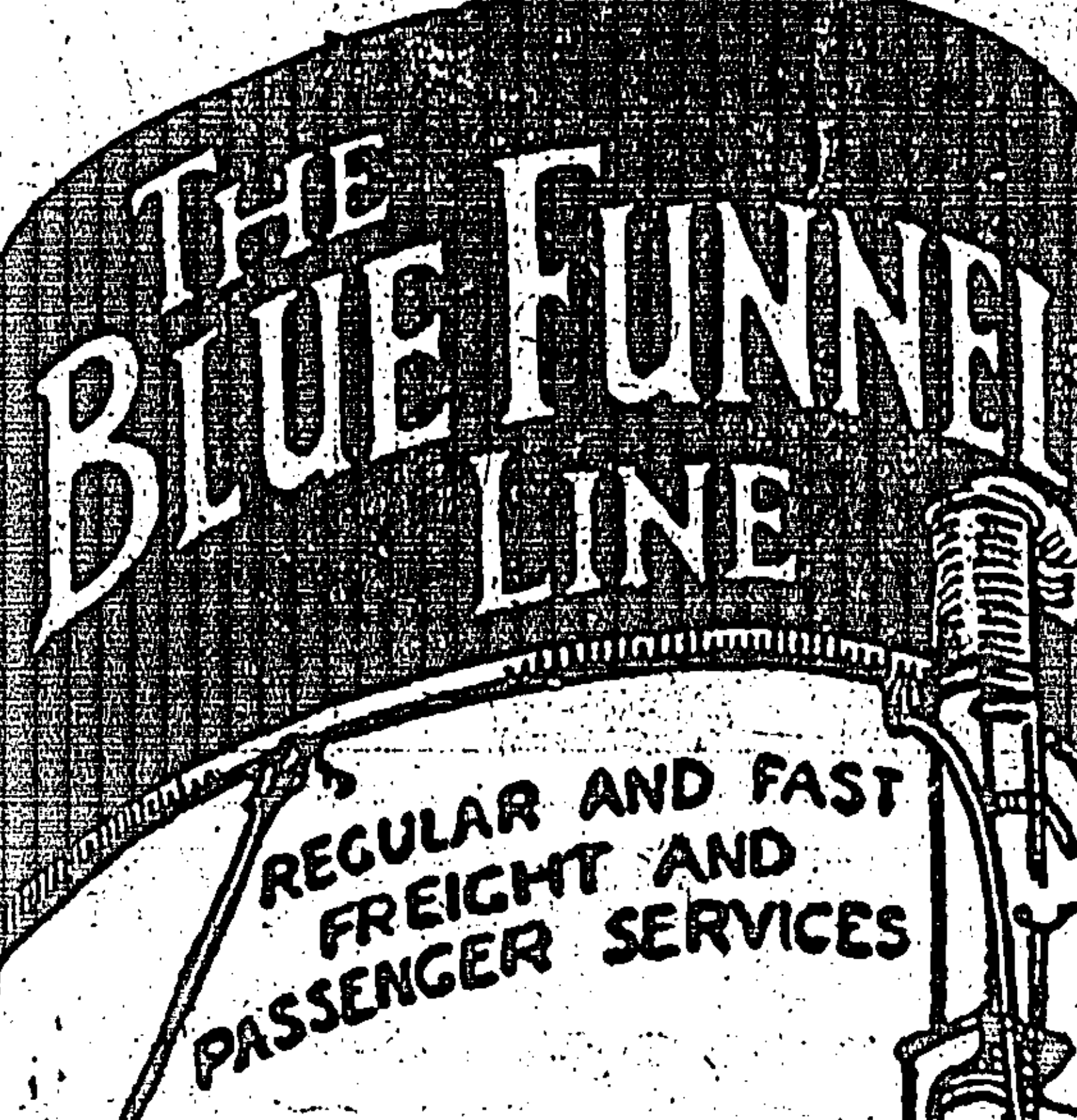
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CRICKET NOTES

I.R.C. WITHOUT MINU NO MATCH FOR RECREIO

Gegg And Oh Save University From Certain Defeat Century Stand By Lawrence & Knight

By "Adrem"

THE WEATHER ON SATURDAY WAS IDEAL FOR CRICKET AND WICKETS GENERALLY FAVOURED BATSMEN. NEVERTHELESS SCORES WERE NOT UNDULY HIGH EXCEPT IN THE MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN ARMY AND HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB, WHERE BATSMEN ON BOTH SIDES LED THE BOWLERS A MERRY DANCE.

Baxter's all-round form at Pokfulam and a fine comeback by veteran J. L. Youngsaye were the chief features of Junior matches. Baxter made 78 runs and then polished off the University innings when things were looking pretty grim for K.C.C., while Youngsaye made his first half-century for more years than I can trace in the records!

In a low-scoring match at King's Park, Recreio had much the better of their meeting with the Indians who were, however, not at full strength. A. R. Minu, their opening bowler, preferred an afternoon at the Races, while M. el Arculli, their vice-captain, was otherwise engaged.

H. L. Ozorio, who struck a good length and took 7 for 32, together with A. V. Gosano (30) and Willie Reed (27), were mainly responsible for the home team's win, but of that more anon.

Madar's Guile

The Gosano brothers, "L.G." and Zinho, started the innings for Recreio and looked like settling down to a big partnership when the former was bowled by Khass Nazarin. It was a good ball which came back a little.

Eddie Soares filled the vacancy but was trapped by A. H. Madar, who signalled his younger brother, "M.P.", to close in for a catch—and sure enough the catch came. Zinho then got tied up in a knot! He could not undo himself in time and was not only l.b.w., but to save the umpire any unnecessary thinking, sat on his wicket as well!

A procession followed until Reed and A. V. Gosano got together. In the meantime Madar was sending down some really good stuff but he did not have much luck as he was time and again just taking the paint off the sticks without causing the balls to fall.

As usual Reed sat on the splice, though anything short of a length received the treatment it deserved, namely a very solid punch to square leg.

Gosano indulged in some big hitting but was too prone to sky the ball in his attempts to clear the boundary. He paid the full penalty when Madar changed over from the Pavilion End to the C.B.A. End, in order to bowl with a longer boundary behind him, and was well taken by Esmail.

The remainder of the batsmen did nothing of note.

Early Disaster

Early disaster marked the I.R.C. innings. Harry Esmail was bowled by Ozorio for a blob and A. H. Madar, who joined Ismail, was sent back—bowled first ball by Ozorio. Nazarin came in but only managed to stop the "hat-trick" for he was caught off the same bowler two balls later.

M. P. Madar, who is really a better batsman than most people think, played the bowling very confidently and managed to stem the rot together with S. A. Ismail for a while.

After the latter was out A. H. Rumjahn shaped very well until he hit one, very hard, back to the bowler and for some reason or other started to run, to be sent back and run out. Then K. M. Rumjahn struck for 22. His may not be described as a useful but unorthodox innings. The remaining wickets fell without

much alteration to the score sheet.

The Indians were one short.

Ozorio's Bowling

Ozorio, who opened the bowling for Recreio, kept a good length but that was about all. He did not make the ball turn as much as usual and, without trying to be little his effort, it was due more to bad batting than good bowling that he returned the analysis of 9.4-2-32-7.

Albert Rodrigues made one of his all too rare appearances for Recreio seniors but only made one run when he was caught in the gully by A. H. Rumjahn. It was a brilliant catch—left-handed, and taken very low down when the ball was travelling fast.

K.C.C. Baulked

Kowloon Cricket Club scored 171 for 6 against University and although they were once in a commanding position and appeared certain to win, a fine stand between W. S. Gegg and K. S. Oh robbed them of an outright decision.

Anderson, opening for K.C.C., played a typical innings and hit eight boundaries in his 60. He was associated with Francis Lay in a partnership of 88, the latter completely dominating the scoring during this period.

I suppose one might term Lay's innings a valuable one, but for his own good I feel a word of advice is necessary. It is all very well to score quickly—conditions under which the game is played in Hong Kong demand it—but it is another thing for a No. 3 batsman to go in, after a wicket has fallen for only four runs, and hit indiscriminately. That is what Lay did. Most of his shots, including his square-cut, were lofted and it is not surprising that he was given a number of lives.

I was very glad that Rapley came off. A batsman who always looks like a batsman but rarely makes runs, describes Rapley fairly accurately. He, too, played dashing cricket and secured a number of his runs with that wristy leg sweep at which he is so adept.

University bowling was not impressive and the fielding, although from brilliant, was extremely keen.

Gegg And Oh Save

Undergrads

Gegg and K. S. Oh alone saved University from crushing defeat, both batting really well at a difficult time. Gegg, who normally likes to hit them, was as restrained as the occasion demanded and he was at the wicket for half an hour before he scored. Oh batted really well and was good value for his 20 not out, although had Rapley at cover, hold a cap but up before he had scored. K.C.C. must have won. Rapley could not be blamed for the error, however, as he had the sun in

K.C.C. SELECTIONS FOR WEEK-END

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in week-end cricket matches:—

First XI (v C.S.C.C., away)—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmermann, F. R. Zimmermann, F. J. Lay, D. Lung, W. L. Rapley and R. T. Broadbridge. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

Second XI (v C.S.C.C., home)—S. A. Gray (Capt.), E. L. Curtis, L. R. Burch, R. J. Fenton, H. Brokenshire, B. D. Lay, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, G. Giffen, F. Crabb and J. W. Bartram. Twelfth Man: E. T. Lawrence.

Sunday's Game

Following will represent Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly match against Army, starting at 11 a.m. on Sunday:—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmermann, F. R. Zimmermann, N. A. E. Mackay, W. L. Rapley, S. A. Gray, E. L. Curtis. Twelfth Man: K. M. Baxter. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

in his eyes and could not possibly have seen the ball.

Lloyd bowled well enough to take 6 for 20 but he was not nearly as impressive as his analysis would suggest. Francis Zimmermann was right off and Lee's three overs merely had the effect of playing Gegg and Oh in.

Batsmen In Command

Bowlers had a sorry time in the match at Sookunpoo between Army and Hong Kong Cricket Club. Army batsmen were in great form and ran up 163 for only two wickets. Finch went quickly but Logan and Alec Pearce then made merry at the expense of the limited Club attack, and Webb followed this up, after Pearce had been dismissed, with a breezy 37 not out. Logan played a typical innings and was sound without being brilliant, while Pearce and Webb did pretty much as they liked.

Knight and Lawrence gave Club an excellent start and 113 runs were on the board before the first wicket fell. Knight batted correctly for his 49 and Lawrence, evidently discarded from the Army team, showed his pace with a characteristically hard-hit knock of 63.

Baker Bowls Well

Combined Small Units batsmen found run-getting a bit of a struggle against Civil Service and after they had lost 6 for 34, Goss and Dobbinson took part in a stand which enabled them to total 110 for 7, at which stage it was then so late that they were forced to declare.

Baker bowled as well as he has done this season and took two cheap wickets but no other Civil Service bowler met with very much success.

With Attywell, Perry and Hollidge all making useful scores, Civil Service won with seven wickets to spare and then went on to total 149 for 4.

A cricket match between the European Y.M.C.A. and the Civil Service Club will be played on the Civil Service Club ground on Dec. 22. The Y.M.C.A. team has not yet been selected.

K.C.C. TENNIS

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (4-0) beat E. Zulqut and V. O'Neill (1-5) 6-2, 4-0, 6-4 yesterday in the quarter-finals of Kowloon Cricket Club's handicap men's doubles tournament.

BRILLIANT INNINGS BY J. L. YOUNGSAYE

By "Adrem"

FEATURE OF THE junior match between Diocesan Boys' School and Craigengower Cricket Club at Happy Valley was a brilliant half-century by J. L. Youngsaye, who found his best form after a long spell of indifference.

Scoring brilliantly all round the wicket, Youngsaye played an innings reminiscent of him at his best and his 22 not out was only marred by one or two "upish" shots which went dangerously near gully.

He was not very well supported by the School's batsmen, however, and only Whitfield and Randall gave him any material assistance. Craigengower's early batsmen all made a few, and Archie Hung, who cracked a couple of good fours in his first over, appeared likely to repeat his hurricane innings of the previous week, when O. Eganum's better ones got through his defence.

Leonard made an auspicious start to his season and scored a typical 31 in his first match but, although there were a number of double-figure scores, extras was the next highest scorer with 26.

The School bowling, apart from Hulse, was not impressive and their fielding was not as good as that expected from a youthful side.

Fergus Again

Fergus, who did little last season worthy of mention, is obviously in splendid form with the ball this year and his recent performances have had a great deal to do with the successes achieved by the Royal Scots.

Following his 7 for 22 against the Police, he proved much too good for H.K.C.C. batsmen at Chai'er Road and finished up with 6 for 18 in 7.5 overs—a splendid achievement against a side that

was far from weak in batting. Gahagan made 24 for Club and Armstrong, who as far as I can recollect was playing in his first game of the season, made 29. Bishop was the only other double-figure scorer.

Scots made light of the task of scoring 92 and these were knocked off for the loss of Godby's wicket, Alsey making a dour 33 and Bateman hitting hard for 70, which included 12 fours.

Baxter's Brilliant Spell

At one period during the game at Pokfulam between K.C.C. and University, the latter team appeared to be well on the way to victory.

Baxter then had an inspired spell with the ball and took four wickets in the course of 2.5 overs to win the game for the Kowloon team.

Baxter also top-scored for K.C.C., batting soundly for his 78 runs, Gray, the captain, being next best with 28.

Ooi, Chelliah, N. Singh and Aziz Ahmed gave University a good start and they were within striking distance when Baxter found his spot. Lay bowled steadily for Kowloon to take 5 for 28.

Recreio Save Game

Thanks to a fine half-century by A. R. Suffad, and useful scores by Curreen, A. el Arculli and A. H. Ismail, I.R.C. were able to declare against Recreio at 152 for 7. Recreio had a bit of a struggle against the bowling of M. R. Abbas but they managed to play out time. M. A. Remedios and F. J. Remedios doing well with the bat.

Fine bowling by Carey, coupled with poor batting by Civil Service, saw Police beat C.S.C.C. on the Police ground. The custodians of the law did little better with the bat than their opponents but Clarke saved the side with a fine 39 not out.

Baker made a welcome re-appearance to the Police team and took 2 for 18.

NURSES GOLF COMPETITION

A Tombstone Competition for golfing members of the V.A.D. and A.N.S. is being held at Fanling (New Course) on Tuesday, Dec. 17, for which Mrs. A. V. Greaves is presenting a prize. Draw for partners will be made at the Ladies Club House at 1.30 a.m.

Tea will be served at 4.45 p.m., when the prize will be presented. Will those members of the A.N.S. wishing to play, please send in their names to Mrs. Valentine, Hon. Sec. A.N.S. Queen Mary Hospital.

FRIENDLY BOWLS GAME

A friendly bowls game between Bowlers and Cricketers of the Civil Service Cricket Club has been arranged for Sunday, at 10 a.m.

The Bowlers will be represented by the following: J. Gellatly, A. B. Allan, J. W. Deakins, M. N. Rakusen (Skip); E. Kirmon, M. Scott, J. M. Purvis, J. Hollidge (Skip); J. R. Carr, W. G. Gardner, V. S. Ebbago, S. Ecceshall (Skip).

MATCH CALLED OFF

The Rugby match arranged between Club "A" and Army "A", scheduled to be played at the Valley yesterday, was called off due to the non-arrival of the Military team.

Club Seven-A-Side Rugby Game

Club "A" did not play their usual mid-week Rugby match yesterday, Army failing to produce a side.

Club players, however, took part in a seven-a-side game, feature of which was the good spirit shown.

BADMINTON LEAGUE FIXTURES

Following are Badminton League fixtures for the current season:—

"A" DIVISION

Monday, December 9	University "B" v Recrelo
Monday, December 16	Chinese "Y" v University "A"
Monday, December 23	University "B" v Chinese "Y"
Monday, January 6	Recrelo v University "A"
Monday, January 13	University "A" v University "B"
Monday, January 20	Chinese "Y" v Recrelo
Monday, February 3	Recrelo v University "B"
Monday, February 10	University "A" v Chinese "Y"
Monday, February 17	Chinese "Y" v University "B"
Monday, February 24	University "A" v Recrelo
Monday, February 24	University "B" v University "A"
Monday, February 24	Recrelo v Chinese "Y"

"B" DIVISION

Wednesday, December 11	V.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, December 11	Chung Wah v Recrelo
Wednesday, December 11	K.C.C. v Police
Wednesday, December 11	Kowloon Tong v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, December 18	J.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, December 18	V.R.C. v Chung Wah
Wednesday, December 18	St. John's v Police
Wednesday, December 18	K.C.C. v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 9	Recrelo v J.R.C.
Wednesday, January 9	King's College v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 9	St. John's v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, January 9	Police v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 16	J.R.C. v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 16	Recrelo v V.R.C.
Wednesday, January 16	Kowloon Tong v St. John's
Wednesday, January 16	St. Andrew's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, January 23	J.R.C. v V.R.C.
Wednesday, January 23	Recrelo v King's College
Wednesday, January 23	St. John's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, January 23	St. Andrew's v Police
Wednesday, February 5	King's College v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 5	Recrelo v Chung Wah
Wednesday, February 5	Police v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 5	St. Andrew's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 12	King's College v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Chung Wah v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Police v St. John's
Wednesday, February 12	Kowloon Tong v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 19	J.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 19	Chung Wah v King's College
Wednesday, February 19	St. Andrew's v St. John's
Wednesday, February 19	Kowloon Tong v Police
Wednesday, February 26	Chung Wah v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 26	V.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 26	St. John's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 26	K.C.C. v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, March 5	V.R.C. v J.R.C.
Wednesday, March 5	King's College v Recrelo
Wednesday, March 5	K.C.C. v St. John's
Wednesday, March 5	Police v St. Andrew's

First two fixtures of each batch represent "A" section, the last two "B" section.

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There will be an exhibition badminton match at Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 8.30 this evening between Patrick H. Wong, the Colony champion, and C. Au.

Reynolds' Splendid Display In The Ordnance Goal

ADAMS ALSO DOES WELL

AT SOOKUNPOO YESTERDAY Service Corps took the lead in Second Division of Hong Kong Football League when they beat Ordnance by 5 clear goals in their postponed game.

In this game Reynolds again distinguished himself and gave a brilliant exhibition of goal-keeping and, though beaten five times, he must have saved thrice that number, his positioning, clean play and coolness under pressure being marked features of his game.

It seems rather strange that this player has so far been given little recognition in local representative games both by the Army and Association.

Adams at right back for Ordnance was another player to shine, he was everywhere when needed and by his strong kicking cleared

his line often. Russell his partner gave him valuable help in the pivotal position, and Stephens was also outstanding.

The Ordnance forward-line did not combine well and were very poor in front of goal; they had many opportunities of scoring but failed.

Emberson and Duffield were the best players and both worked very hard.

For Service Corps, Glen on the right wing was very prominent with his centres and was always a danger to the Ordnance. Clark and Morgan were also good but

Weir and Martin were only prominent in the later stages of the game. Murray at fullback kicked well, while Young in the centre-half berth was also good.

Glen scored in the first half and in the second half Glen, Clark (2), Martin scored the other goals. Service Corps: Mattison; Murray and Hamblin; Smart, Young and Hammond; Glen, Morgan, Clark, Weir and Martin.

Ordnance: — Reynolds; Adams and Russell; Jones, Stephens and Harding; Harland, Emberson, Manuelli, Wright and Duffield.

The following was the result of a friendly Billiards match played last night between the R.A.F. and the European Y.M.C.A. at the Y.M.C.A.

R.A.F.:—W. O. Williams 100, Cpl. Edwards 51, Fet. Aikman 43, Cpl. Smith 83, L. A. C. Naylor 49.

Y.M.C.A.:—W. Kemp 99, S. Teran 100, F. Sykes 100, C. T. Cham-pelovier 100, E. D's Cosier 100.

F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

The following is the agenda of the Council meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association which will be held at the Association's office on Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 5.30 p.m.

Minutes of Council meeting No. 5; of League Management Committee meeting No. 7; of Emergency Sub-Committee meeting No. 3.

Accounts.
Draw of 1st round "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competition. Selecting grounds.
Draw of Senior and Junior Shield.

Correspondence.
Any other business.

MATCH POSTPONED

Owing to Volunteer Camp the Third Division football match between the A.S.A. and R.E. scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 8, has been postponed.

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R.A.F. Attacks On Oil Stores And Refineries

RICE PETITION TO GOVERNMENT ADVOCATED

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It was suggested that Government should adopt this method to temporarily remedy the present acute situation.

PATROLS ACTIVE ROUND KASSALA

British patrols were again active to the north and south of Kassala inflicting casualties on the enemy without loss to themselves, stated yesterday's G.H.Q. communique in Cairo.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts, adds the communique. — Reuter.

Vital Factor In Result Of War

IF GERMANY RUNS short of oil she must stop fighting. It is with this belief uppermost in mind that the R.A.F. shapes its operations. And the R.A.F. know a trick worth two of bombing oil wells.

What this trick is was explained, among other things, by the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hugh Dalton, at a press conference in London yesterday.

The British blockade, said Mr. Dalton, is working well and the enemy is growing uncomfortably short of certain commodities.

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF JAPANESE

A crushing defeat, involving over 20,000 casualties, was inflicted on Japanese troops who carried out an attack in northern Hupeh province, in central China, last week, according to an official despatch received yesterday by the Chinese Embassy in London.

The despatch adds Chinese troops captured Chennankwan, in Kwangtung, last Saturday. "Enemy elements withdrew into Tongking, Indo-China," it concludes. — Reuter.

Oil, rubber and copper looted by Germany from occupied territories is now exhausted and Germany is back where she was six months ago.

The safety margin of oil in Germany has not yet been touched, but she is using more oil than she is producing as a result of R.A.F. attacks on supplies, storage and the transport system, and disappointing supplies are obtained from Russia.

Mr. Dalton said he recommended targets in Germany to the Air Ministry and always kept oil near the head of the list.

Italian Target No. 1

In Italy, Bari had always been the R.A.F.'s number one target, which was economically more important than Milan or Turin, as the most important oil stocks in all Italy were kept there.

Speaking of the difficulty of transporting the Rumanian oil surplus to Germany, Mr. Dalton said that as crude oil was not very inflammable it was nonsense to suggest bombing the Rumanian oil wells.

Rather wait until Germany had spent labour and time refining and transporting it, and then bomb it.

Italy First

Italy would feel the pinch even before Germany, said Mr. Dalton, because she had no synthetic oil plant and there was little doubt her supplies were growing short and she had to get replenishment from Germany.

Mr. Dalton would like to see increasing mobilisation of the reserves of United States production set aside for Britain and the Allies, and added: "There has been an exchange of views with the United States on the matter." — Reuter.

U.S. AIRCRAFT AROUSE R.A.F. ENTHUSIASM

An American-built aircraft took the photographs of damaged Italian warships at Taranto.

This was officially disclosed last night in a story which stated that the R.A.F. are enthusiastic about the performance of United States aircraft they are now using.

These have fought their way successfully through many operations, particularly in the Middle East.

It is stated the R.A.F. have come to regard with real affection the Lockheed Hudsons, which are proving such a valuable aid to Britain's Coastal Command, and have taken part in hundreds of bombing raids from Norway to the Bay of Biscay. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Chinese press reports this morning state that over 60,000 bags of rice are expected to arrive in the Colony in four ships from Bangkok to-day.

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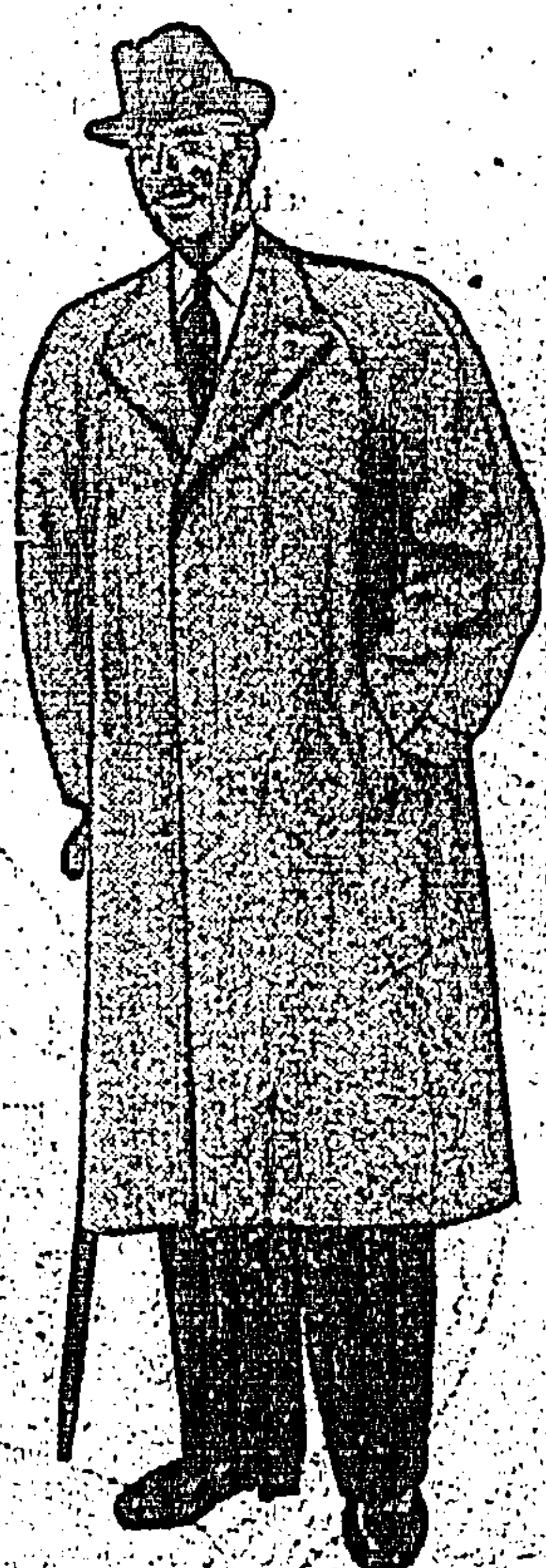
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DULL SESSION ON STOCK EXCHANGE

In the absence of any incentive to stimulate fresh buying interest the London Stock Exchange yesterday experienced a dull session. Gilt-edged, however, continued to meet support and bids, where changed, moved in holders' favour. Industrials were heavy, especially Store shares, which were adversely affected by rationing considerations. Wall Street was irregular. — Reuter.

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GREEKS IRON OUT POCKETS IN FRONT LINE

RICE PRICES FIXED

Government is to-day fixing the retail prices of rice in the Colony, under a Food Controller's Order.

The detailed figures showing the levels fixed for various grades are not yet available as the printing of the "Government Gazette Extraordinary" containing them is not yet completed.

Temporary Measure

With reference to the Government Gazette Extraordinary to be published to-day, it is officially announced that it is hoped that the measures for the limitation of retail prices of rice are purely temporary, in view of the attempted raising of the whole-sale price to an unwarrantable level by suppliers abroad.

Export Prohibited

With a view to conservation of adequate stocks here the export of rice from the Colony is being prohibited meanwhile.

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Relentless Advance On Santi Quaranta

THE ADVANCE of the Greeks to within 1½ miles of the Albanian supply port of Santi Quaranta is one of their most notable achievements, for it was from here that the Italians first drove them back till the fighting raged 15 miles inside Greece.

The Greeks then rallied and in the last three weeks have steadily driven the Fascists back to where they started. Greek guns now command the port and Greek infantry units are on its fringes.

Further inland, but still near the coast, the Italian grip on Argyrokastron is being steadily loosened. The Greeks have taken two more heights dominating the city, and the Italian position is said to be desperate.

Greek advance units are reported to have cut the transport route between Argyrokastron and the coast.

Heavy Snow

Heavy snow is falling in the north, but even here the Greeks are still advancing.

The Greek High Command announces that new heights have been taken around Podgradetz, following intense fighting, and some of the Italians are withdrawing westwards to Elbasan, which is only some 30 miles from the coast.

An Athens message says that an Italian counter-attack near Lake Ohrida has been repulsed, the Greeks taking a large number of prisoners.

The Greeks are now twice as far into Albania as the Italians ever got into Greece.

Even Rome cannot claim "victories," and speaks of renewed counter-attacks by numerous Greek formations supported by considerable artillery fire.

Closing In Relentlessly
NET RESULT OF THE GREEK OPERATIONS IN THE LAST 36 HOURS HAS BEEN TO IRON OUT A NUMBER OF "POCKETS" AND BRING THE GREEK LINE INTO A BROAD EGG-SHAPED CURVE ACROSS SOUTHERN ALBANIA.

The Greeks all day yesterday closed in relentlessly on Santi Quaranta, while north of Argyrokastron the Italian troops fell back from Premeti towards Kilaure and Tepelini.

They were being harried by aircraft while the Greek land forces—already very near Premeti yesterday morning—continued to move forward.

Bigger Battle Ahead

Italian resistance is also weakening round Moshkopolis, south-west of Podgradetz, following severe fighting there a few days ago.

North of Podgradetz the Greeks have occupied a village on Lake Ohrida.

Responsible newspapers in Athens, however, warn against over-optimism. "A bigger battle still lies ahead," they declare.—Reuter.

PARALLEL POLICY IN FAR EAST

"The questioner can rest assured that His Majesty's Government maintain close contact with the United States Government in all matters of common interest."

This was the reply of Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday to a query by Mr. Robert Morgan (Cons.) inviting a joint Anglo-American declaration in opposition to the so-called new order Japan is trying to introduce in China and the whole Pacific.

Replying to Sir Robert Gower (Cons.), who invited a statement on Britain's policy towards the Nanking puppet regime, Mr. Butler said the Government had repeatedly made known their attitude, which is to continue to recognise the National Government in Chungking as the Government of China.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S HAND SEEN BEHIND THAI FIGHTING

THE OUTBREAK of fighting between Indo-China and Thailand shows that Japan is determined to proceed with her southward expansion programme, declares the Chinese official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

"It is particularly noteworthy that Thailand is resorting to armed force after the suspension of negotiations in Batavia between Japan and the N.E.I.

"Japan is making use of Thailand to pave the way to complete occupation of Indo-China as a base for her southward expansion.

"Meanwhile, if the N.E.I. refuse to come to terms, Japan will take armed action against them.

"It is reported that as a result of negotiations between Vichy and Tokyo, Japan has already secured the French Government's agreement for the establishment of an air base at Saigon."

Japan On Eve

The newspaper is convinced that there is an "intimate connection between the clash be-

tween Indo-China and Thailand, and the situation in the N.E.I. In other words Japan is now on the eve of her southward expansion.

"At the same time we believe that if the United States has a firm determination to check Japan she can do so before the situation goes out of hand." — Reuter.

ITALY CALLS UP YOUTHS OF 19

ITALY YESTERDAY STARTED TO CALL UP TO THE COLOURS HER YOUTHS OF 19. Only priests and men already in the Fascist militia and police will be exempt. — Reuter.



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Britain's Gastronomic Life Little Affected By Rations

Meaning Of The New Restrictions

(By Reuter's Chief Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE BRITISH FOOD MINISTER'S DECISION TO LIMIT THE QUANTITIES OF CERTAIN RATIONED FOODS AND TO BAN ENTIRELY THE IMPORTATION OF FRUITS OTHER THAN ORANGES, IS THE SUBJECT FOR GLOATING ON THE PART OF THE ITALIAN PROPAGANDA SERVICE.

They interpret these measures in the light of their own situation and experience, and prophesy that Britain will soon be brought to her knees by the attempted blockade victoriously exercised by Germany.

They do not realise how very little effect the British system of rationing has really had upon the gastronomic life of Britain.

Except for butter, sugar, bacon and eggs, which are admittedly scarcer than before the war, the ordinary person has hardly noticed the effect of the food restriction policy.

Anybody can get a full meal in any restaurant without ration cards or coupons. Bread is abundant and excellent.

Meat, except pork, is limited on the basis of price when bought from the butcher, but in restaurants meat as well as all other foods are only limited by the big appetite of the consumer.

Poultry Not Rationed

Game and poultry are not rationed at all. There is no lack of potatoes and green vegetables, though onions are scarce.

On the other hand there is no limit to groceries and tinned foods that are accessible to all purchasers.

In Italy, where four meatless days per week have already been legally ordered, it has now been found necessary to curtail the staple foods of the country, namely macaroni and rice.

In future Italians are restricted to two kilogrammes of either flour, gluten (macaroni) or rice per month.

Seeing that a normal Italian would think nothing of facing a plate of half a pound of spaghetti or macaroni (a quarter of a kilo), it is obvious that this small ration will mean real privation.

Cold Comfort

Even the Italian newspapers realise the severity of the sacrifice but find comfort in pointing out that in Germany only half a kilo

of rice or gluten is allowed per head per month, and even so is part of a general dietary of rations.

The facts about Britain's food position are patent to every foreigner living in England.

Italian propaganda of wilful misrepresentation may help the Italian to bear his troubles more lightly but is not going to make the people any better pleased with the regime that is responsible for their privations.—Reuter.

DIED FOR A KISS

When his father crossed the road to catch a bus, three-year-old Bernard Shaffery, of Malmesbury Close, Bristol, ran after him for a good-bye kiss.

The father boarded the bus, then saw the child in the path of a lorry.

He leapt off and raced to save him. But he was just too late. The boy was knocked down. He died in hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Shaffery told a reporter: "Bernard adored his father, and was always saying, 'Daddy, kiss me.'"

Her Birthday

"My two little girls, Bernard and I, went to the bus-stop with my husband when he left for business, as I thought I would buy a birthday cake as a treat

ITALIAN SPITFIRE DONATION

THE LATEST GIFT FOR "SPITFIRES" IS AN UNUSUAL ONE — IT COMES FROM THE ITALIANS THEMSELVES!

In recent raids on enemy positions in Africa, soldiers of the Gold Coast Brigade found some lira which the Italians had left behind.

This money has now been sent to a "Spitfire" fund.

Other gifts include the purchase price of three "Spitfires" from a Newfoundland fund.

The British community in the Argentine has sent £25,000 for the purchase of aircraft for the Fleet Air Arm.

In Trinidad, an excess profits tax is to be imposed on companies so that more monetary aid can be sent to Britain.

This tax, says the Governor of Trinidad, will be used to increase contributions to the British Government's special naval and military services from £209,000 to £260,000 a year, and to make a further special gift of £52,000 to Britain.

The Mysore War Fund has sent £1,500 to the Lord Mayor of London's air-raid distress fund.—Reuter.

for the children. It was my birthday.

"My husband left us to cross the road to the bus and he did not kiss Bernard. The next moment I missed my baby. He must have slipped after his Daddy to give him a good-bye kiss."

"A few moments later I saw him lying in my husband's arms on the other side of the street."



Back in port, in peaceful surroundings once more, sailors chat over their adventures as another day draws to a close. (Copyright, Fox).

HOW THE GERMANS BOMBED RAMSGATE

THIS IS THE STORY of how the Nazis destroyed nearly 1,000 shops and houses in Ramsgate, cited by Mr. Churchill when he contrasted German air-men's "wanton cruelty" with the R.A.F.'s policy of bombing only war targets.

Naming Bombed Cities

Both the Minister of Information and the Under-Secretary for Air answered questions in the Commons yesterday regarding the Government policy to publish or withhold news of British places bombed by the Germans.

The Under-Secretary for Air said: "The general policy is to publish names of places bombed if in any particular case this can be done without conveying information of value to the enemy. In accordance with this policy the name of Coventry was released while the names of other localities were not."

I am fully aware of the desirability of giving early information to the public as to the results of air raids on this country and counteracting the grossly exaggerated claims made in enemy communications.

These are often deliberately framed to tempt us by contradictory comment to inform the enemy of the success or failure of his operations.

No Undertaking

I cannot therefore give any complete undertaking that immediate and detailed public disclosure will be made in any case where it is considered that this would convey information of value to the enemy which he is anxious to ob-

One House In Nine Hit

One house in every nine bore the marks of that raid.

Yet Ramsgate, once happy holiday town, with its population reduced from 37,000 to 14,000, is not downhearted.

Those 14,000 intend to carry on "for the duration." They are amazed at the low number of casualties. In their three-minute raid they lost a few dead and injured. Several are still missing.

The town's miles of A.R.P. tunnels is sheltering 90 per cent. of the population.

Shopkeepers still offer their goods for sale. Three cinemas remain open.

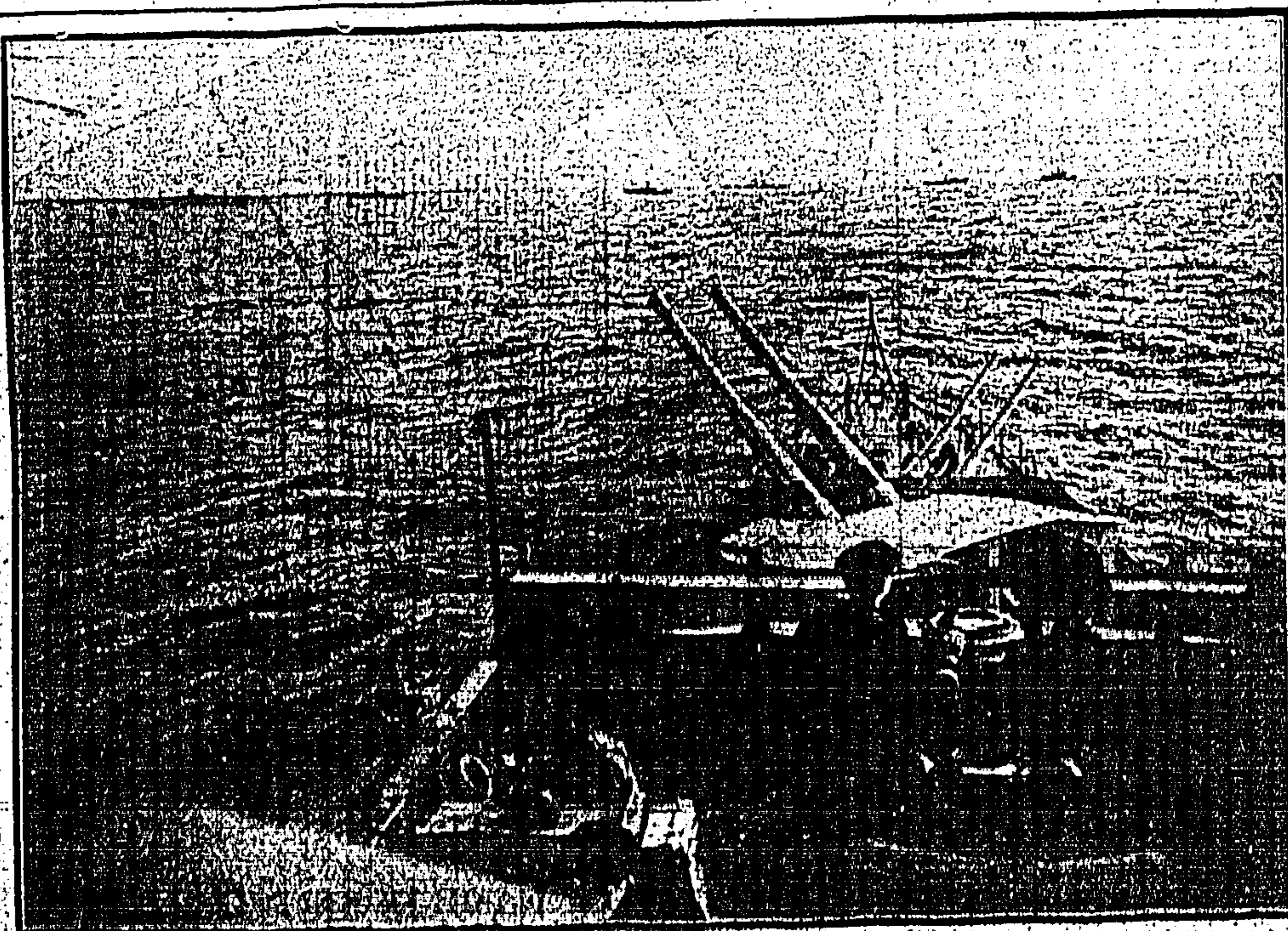
No Rent Or Rates

Practically all the old people, children and mothers have left the town. Rent and rates are forgotten. There is no one to collect them.

Ramsgate had an average of three raids a day last week. When their homes are shattered the besieged people, as they regard themselves, just salvage the belongings and move into one of the many deserted mansions.

talk."

The Minister of Information said no indication was given to the press regarding the importance of the Coventry attack. "They are quite capable of forming any estimate of the importance of an event."—British Wireless.



The dual-purpose guns of the Royal Navy ready for action in a destroyer escorting a convoy safely through the Channel.

POWERFUL NEW AID HINTED

American Officials Confer In Washington

Financing Looming Prominently

IMPORTANT NEW AMERICAN MOVES TO HELP BRITAIN APPEARED IMMINENT YESTERDAY AS THE SECRETARIES OF AT LEAST THREE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS GAVE INDICATION THAT FURTHER AID IS UNDER IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce and Federal Loan Administrator, said in Washington yesterday that Britain is a "good risk."

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, revealed that Sir Frederick Phillips is arriving to meet Treasury officials.

U.S. LOAN TO BRITAIN MOOTED With Lien On Gold Output

A proposal was made a few days ago for a loan to Britain by the United States of £625,000,000, with a lien on Empire gold production over the next five years as security, reports the "New York Herald-Tribune."

This proposal, says the paper, was made by Mr. Eccles, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank, at a private meeting last week of bankers, industrialists and economists.

Another report, as yet unconfirmed, says that the United States will shortly release thousands of tons of merchant shipping to Britain.

The United States Maritime Commission, which yesterday authorized the Black Diamond SS. Company to sell to Britain four cargo-ships, is expected to offer 15 laid-up ships for sale to Britain in a few days. — Reuter.

PEIPING TENSION

A proclamation threatening "effective action" to crush lawlessness in Peiping was issued by the Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Army in North China yesterday.

This follows the assassination of a Japanese infantry colonel in the city's main street by an unknown Chinese on Saturday.

Since then tension in Peiping has been acute.

The proclamation states that various Japanese and Chinese organs will be used to suppress disorders. — Reuter.

Simultaneously Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told his press conference that the Government is giving consideration to all phases of the shipping question in connection with aid for Britain.

Observers had scented something in the air on Tuesday when a special conference was held which brought nine of the most important Government officials together.

Three similar extraordinary meetings have been called in recent months and it is notable that a major step to aid Britain followed quickly.

Financing Problem

The first meeting preceded the sale of destroyers — the second preceded facilities for Britain to increase air force orders by 12,000 planes — the third preceded the release of Flying Fortresses.

Britain's financing appeared to be the dominant subject of the latest conference, and Sir Frederick Phillips' visit to Washington is expected to help clarify the situation.

There has been some demand for information on Britain's exact status.

Britain Taking 60 Per Cent.

Manufacturers, for example, want to know whether it is financially safe to accept further orders and if the millions they have spent to handle British orders will be repaid.

Another source of concern has been the future of the American export trade if British resources are allowed to become exhausted.

The British Empire now takes 60 per cent. of United States exports and a sudden complete collapse of these would be a heavy blow to the American national economy. — Reuter.

LAND TAX COLLECTION IN RICE

Collection of the Land Tax in rice instead of cash is expected to be enforced next year, according to the official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

The proposal, it states, was adopted in principle at the July meeting of the Supreme National Defence Council, while details were approved at a meeting of the Executive Yuan on Nov. 13, after which the Finance Ministry

THAILAND AND INDO-CHINA COMMUNICATIONS SUSPENDED

The Indo-China authorities have announced that all cable and wireless communication between Indo-China and Thailand has been suspended except by cable via Singapore, according to a Japanese report from Hanoi yesterday. — Reuter.

IL DUCE'S DREAMS FADING

Britain has neglected nothing to ensure that Egypt's defences are impregnable, writes the editor of the Cairo newspaper "Al Misri," who has just returned from a tour of the Western Desert.

Mussolini, he writes, gave Marshal Graziani — his most able and experienced desert fighter — the task not only of securing Italian domination of Egypt but also of conquering the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

The strong defences of the British forces have caused this dream to melt away.

If in Albania Italy is already yielding under Greek blows, she will snap asunder in the Western Desert. — Reuter.

decided that the Land Tax for 1941 should be collected in rice.

The Chinese daily estimates that the total national Land Tax, including Japanese-occupied areas, is about \$200,000,000. According to the 1938 budget, Land Tax totalled 90,000,000 taels, or one-fifth of the total national revenue. — Reuter.



EARLY MORNING AIR RAID WARNING IN LONDON—Photo shows workers leaving a public air raid shelter in London after the "All Clear" had been sounded. (Copyright, Fox).

WOMAN SAVES HORSES FROM BLAZING STABLE

A BASKET of incendiary bombs set fire to a church, a stables, and an hotel in North London early in the morning. Others blazed on roads and gardens and in bedrooms.

What happened next is a good example of something I've noticed happen more and more as the raids develop, writes a correspondent.

Civilians on the spot did not wait for the A.F.S. to arrive. A number, including a woman, ran into the stables and brought out the twenty frightened horses.

From all the houses around people hurried with stirrup pumps and buckets. They formed a bucket chain from the nearby canal to feed the pumps.

Others dealt with the bombs on the gardens and roads. A warden, running to the fires, paused to clap his tin helmet over a burning bomb and ran on.

When the A.F.S. arrived they were able to get the main fires out within an hour.

Shelter "Bosses"

This is not the only way in which we are gaining new strength and experience. Saturday night I spent in the shelters of a block of L.C.C. flats in South London. In each shelter there are one, two or three people who stand out as leaders of the little high community.

They settle disputes about space, noise, smoking and the hundred other causes of friction. If somebody wants something urgently from a flat they go and fetch it.

In some shelters they are chosen by informal vote. In others they just happen. They are called "bosses."

"We had one or two starting to show favouritism," said the wiry-framed milkman who hosed our shelter — his name is Pat Cordella — "but they soon found where they got off."

Which is a good example of democracy made to work and not to order.

BRITAIN GETS HER 3,000TH

In the 14 months of the war, Britain and her Allies have together accounted for over 6,000 enemy planes. This figure does not include "possibles" or "probables."

To date, British anti-aircraft gunners have shot down over 400 enemy planes over Britain — 300 on day and over 100 by night.

The total number of enemy planes shot down over Britain is now 3,000. This total was reached on Monday when two Messerschmitts were shot down for the loss of only one British fighter, the pilot of which is safe.

This total does not include 25 enemy planes destroyed by the Royal Navy and the Fleet Air Arm around our coasts.

British losses over Britain total 880 planes — or more than a 3 to 1 victory. Better still, 115 pilots were saved to fly again — a victory of 7½ to 1.

Hitler's worst months were August, when 1,000 enemy planes were brought down, and September, when 1,071 German planes were shot out of the sky. — Reuter.

RHINE LINK HEAVILY BOMBED

MANNHEIM AND LUDWIGSHAFEN, WHICH ARE LINKED ACROSS THE RHINE BY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT RHINE BRIDGES WHICH IS USED FOR RAIL, ROAD AND FOOT TRAFFIC, WERE ATTACKED BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON TUESDAY NIGHT, IN SPITE OF UNFAVOURABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

In both towns fires and explosions were observed.

The R.A.F. also attacked a blast furnace plant at Essen, while other formations bombed the Dunkirk invasion port.

Daytime attacks were made on aerodromes in German-occupied northern France on Tuesday, One British plane is missing. — Reuter.

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BRITAIN CUTS INTO GERMAN COMMERCE IN TURKEY

THE BRITISH AND Turkish Governments have now concluded arrangements which they hope will bring about a considerable increase in trade through commercial exchanges between Turkey and the British Empire.

During the validity of the arrangements provision is made that payments between Turkey and the sterling area shall be effected at the existing rate of exchange between sterling and the Turkish pound and that special accounts be created in order to facilitate commercial and other payments between the two countries.

The present arrangement is complementary to the trade and payments agreement signed in London on Feb. 3.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes that the new agreement is not only of commercial but also of political significance, and is in fact a challenge by the British Government to German economic domination in the Balkans. It is believed possible that Germany may put forward a tempting commercial proposition to Turkey but the agreement should prevent Germany ever getting her old economic predominance in Turkish economics.

Whole Field

The agreement is a result of long discussions between the British and Turkish Governments and covers the whole field of Turkish financial and commercial relations with the United Kingdom and the British Empire.

The agreement will facilitate the purchase of Turkish and other agricultural products the disposal of which is necessary for the Turkish national economy. Purchases will run into millions sterling.

The agreement will also enable the Turkish Government and local importers to import from the United Kingdom and the British Empire not only goods required for Government institutions but also other commodities such as woollens required by the producer.

Nazis Challenged

Full use will be made of the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation, which was primarily founded to facilitate trade between the United Kingdom and the Far East and which has considerably extended its spheres since it was founded in April. Hitherto geographic and economic relations have resulted in Turkey conducting about 50 per cent of her total foreign trade with Germany, while the United Kingdom has less than 10 per cent. There is no doubt that in future the economic domination of Germany, with its desirable political implications, will be effectively challenged.—Reuter.

10,000 PYJAMA SUITS WANTED

Girls of the A.T.S. are saying good-bye to dainty "nighties" for the duration. Billeted in tents and cold empty houses they are in urgent need of pyjamas, and they must be warm—preferably flannel or wool. An appeal for ten thousand suits of these warm pyjamas has just been made by the "Spare a Trinket" Fund, of 42, Cadogan Place, London, S.W.1. "Women's Institutes and other organisations throughout the Empire are helping us in this appeal," said Mrs. Braithwaite Wallis, an official of the fund.

SAVAGE MURDER IN THE NIGHT

A blood-stained chopper is the only clue to a gruesome murder carried out in the early hours of this morning at the Chung Hwa Book Company's premises, No. 3, Gilman's Bazaar.

The victim, Woo Tung-chiu, 28-year-old accountant of the company, was found dead by police who forced a way into the premises after being summoned by neighbours.

Woo, who was lying in a pool of blood, had been savagely hacked to death, presumably by the chopper found at the scene of the crime. His head was practically severed from his body.

Also in the room was Wong Shu-kam, 19, coolie employed by the company. Wong had also been attacked but was still alive. His condition is stated to be critical.

Locked From Outside

Apart from the evidence of neighbours, who heard sounds of a struggle and shouts of "Save life," the police are without information as to the identity of the assailant or assailants. No arrests have yet been made and investigations are continuing.

The premises were locked from the outside and the police, who were summoned to the scene at 6 a.m., had to force their way in. "One cannot say it is impossible for Germany to break through the British blockade but the chances must be very slight indeed."—Reuter.

BRITISH BLOCKADE TOO TIGHT

The chances of Germany breaking through the British blockade are very slight, declared the official "Central Daily News" in a leading article in Chungking yesterday.

"During the last European war, before United States entry, Germany controlled a larger territory in Europe than she does to-day.

"On land Germany's only outlet will be to push through the Balkans.

"It is true British shipping losses to-day are extremely serious, but Britain can purchase ships from the United States, and in addition Britain's construction capacity must be considerable.

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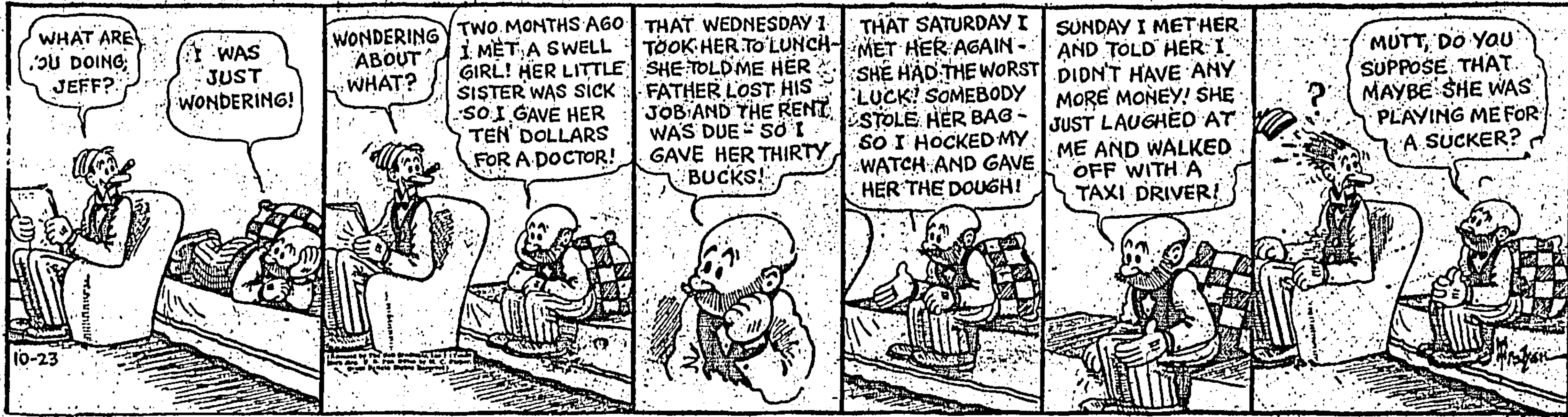
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HE WASN'T TOO OLD AT 40—WINS D.F.C.

WHEN AN IMPERIAL Airways pilot volunteered for the R.A.F. he found it difficult to persuade them he was not "too old at forty" for war flying.

Now the pilot — Flight-Lieutenant Patrick Windsor Lynch-Blosse — has been awarded the D.F.C. for a daring bombing raid on an aircraft factory near Berlin. He scored direct hits on the main building.

Up to a few months ago, Flying-Lieutenant Lynch-Blosse was piloting large passenger flying-boats on the Empire routes.

At her home at Bassett, Southampton, Mrs. Lynch-Blosse told a reporter: — "When my husband volunteered for service with the R.A.F. he found that the authorities were reluctant to let him do 'front line' duty on account of his age.

"Eventually, however, he managed to convince them.

"He was anxious to prove that he could get as good results as his younger colleagues."

Asked if she felt nervous about her husband flying over Germany, Mrs. Lynch-Blosse said:

"Not a bit! We both consider it as part of the day's work. After being married to a pilot for nine years you just get used to it. Although Pat is flying bombers instead of air liners, it is simply another bit

of flying to me. It's not much good being pessimistic, is it?"

Other R.A.F. awards announced included the D.S.O. for Acting Squadron-Leader Michael Nicholson Crossley, D.F.C., who has destroyed at least eighteen enemy planes — and probably another five.

Squadron-Leader Crossley won the D.F.C. in June.

The D.F.C. has been awarded to Acting Flight-Lieutenant Edward Brian Bretherton Smith, Acting Flight-Lieutenant John Terrance Webster, Flying-Officer John Bernard William Humpherson, Flying-Officer Rupert Frederick Smythe, and Pilot-Officer John Albert Axel Gibson.

Pilot-Officer Gibson, who is a New Zealander, was married last year to Ethel Formby, sister of George Formby, the comedian, a week after they had met at a Blackpool night club.

He has destroyed eight enemy aircraft.

UNSHAKEN BY RAIDS

NEUTRAL TRIBUTES TO BRITAIN

Neutral eye-witnesses of the effect of the sustained air attacks on Britain are unanimous on

The failure of the raids to inflict any significant military damage; and

The unshaken composure with which the British people are meeting these assaults on their morale.

The London correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," in a long article says that the people of London have already adapted themselves thoroughly to day and night air attacks. He writes: "I had the amusing experience of being told by an air raid warden, 'The people care so little about the raids that I have already lost nearly all my clients.'"

"The London theatres have put on new shows, which are meeting with great success, proving that the people do not, as may be supposed in some parts of the Continent, live underground.

All Observers Agree

"It is interesting to talk with those who have lost their possessions in the raids. Most of them are fatalists, willing to bear any burden for their country, and they quite frankly fail to understand the amazement of neutral observers at their calmness. I personally have been once more convinced beyond doubt that in this great hour of danger the British nation, which has enjoyed to such a remarkable degree a free and peaceful life, stands determined and steadfast.

"In case my observations should be alleged to be one-sided, I may mention that American, Swedish, and Hungarian correspondents have gathered exactly the same impressions. All investigations by neutral correspondents here are on our own initiative and are not based on Government information. I have not found the slightest difficulty in going wherever I wished."

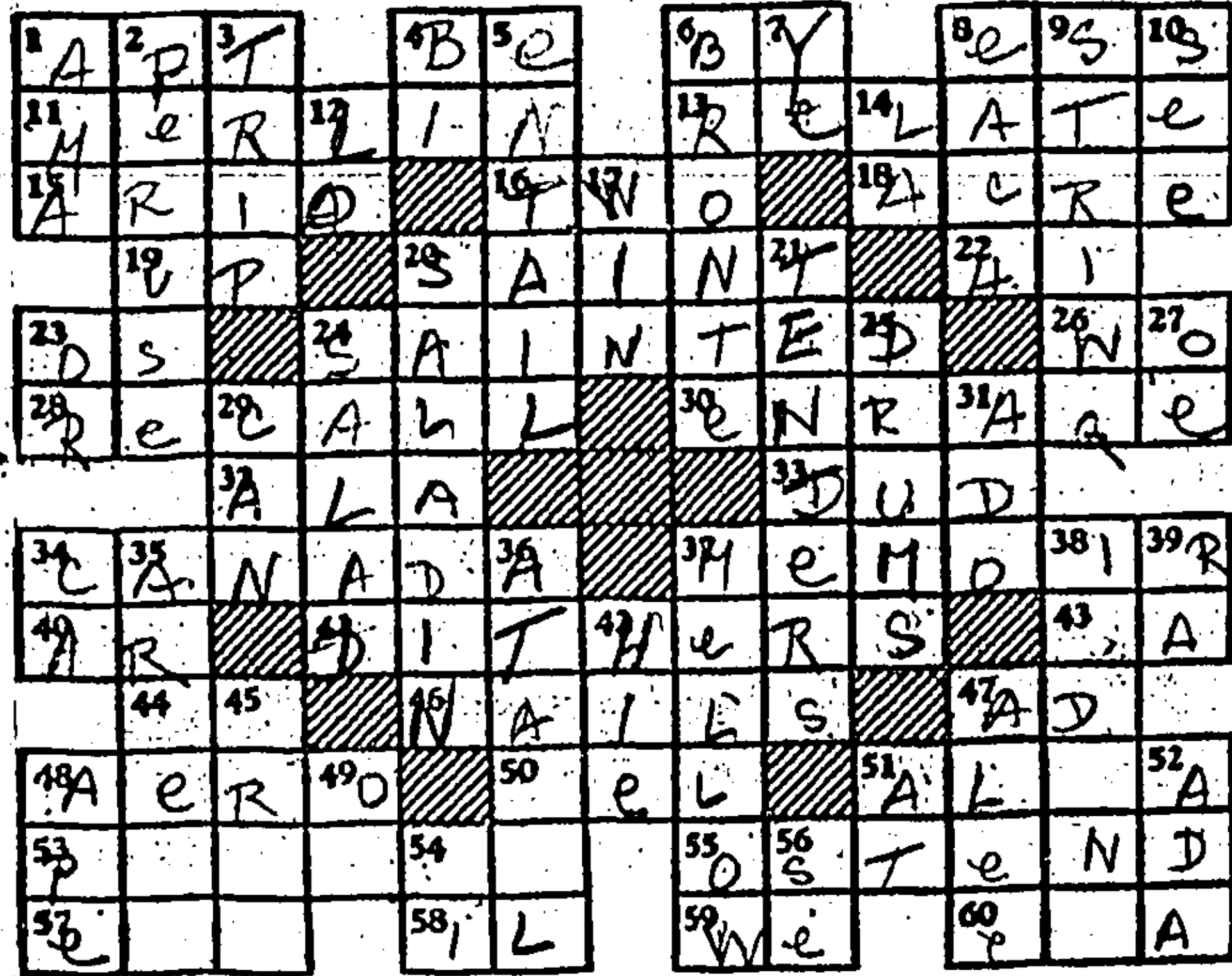
Fell Like Plums

The opinion that the Germans have gained nothing from their air raids over Britain is expressed in most cables from London published in the American Press.

"Hitler's mightiest effort to knock out the R.A.F. is a costly failure," says the correspondent of the International News Service. In describing the air battle over South-East England he says the German planes "fell like over-ripe plums from a tree at the rate of one every two minutes."

A tour over 100 miles of bombed areas made by a representative of the Associated Press revealed that only one bombing attack had done any military damage. The Berlin versions of the raids on Britain obtained a secondary place in the American Press adds Reuter.

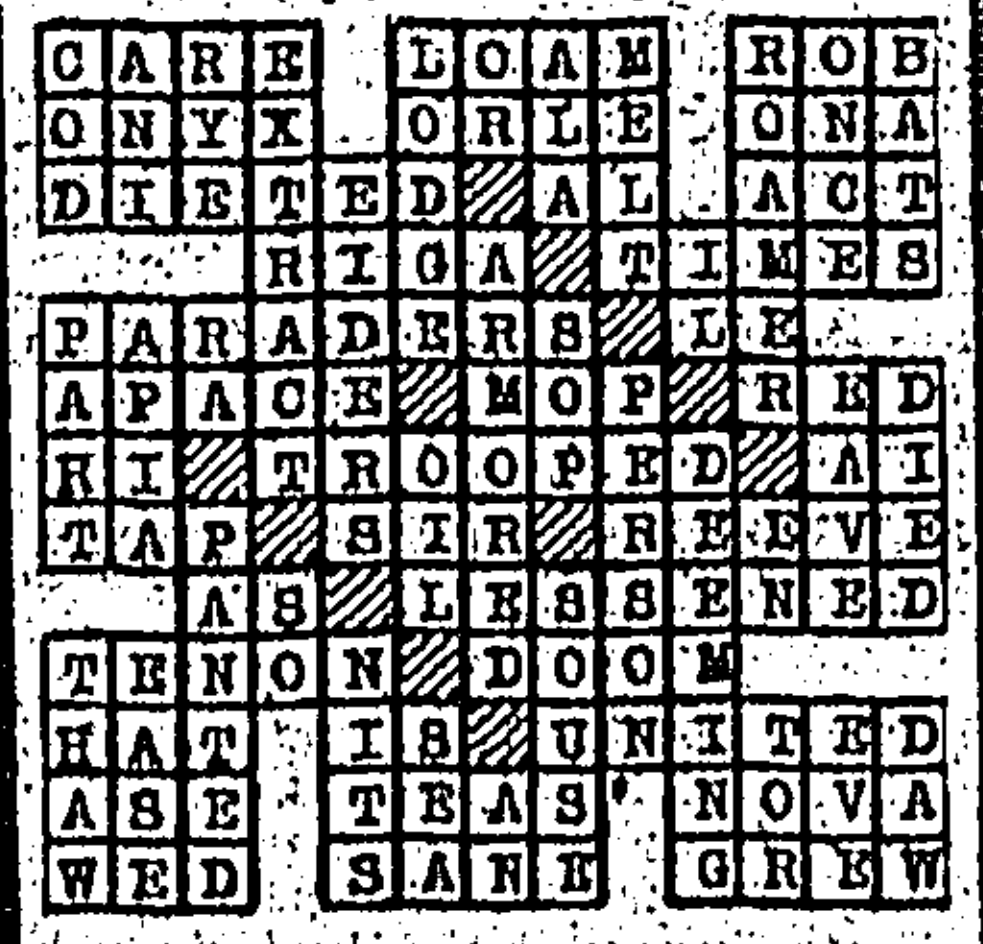
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- 1 Skillful
 - 4 To exist
 - 6 Preposition
 - 8 Worm
 - 11 Ancient wizard
 - 13 To narrate
 - 15 Musical composition
 - 16 A pair
 - 18 Land measure
 - 19 Above
 - 20 Portrays
 - 22 Greeting
 - 23 Bone
 - 24 Holy
 - 26 Negative
 - 28 To countermand
 - 30 To make angry
 - 32 Wing
 - 33 Shell that falls to explode
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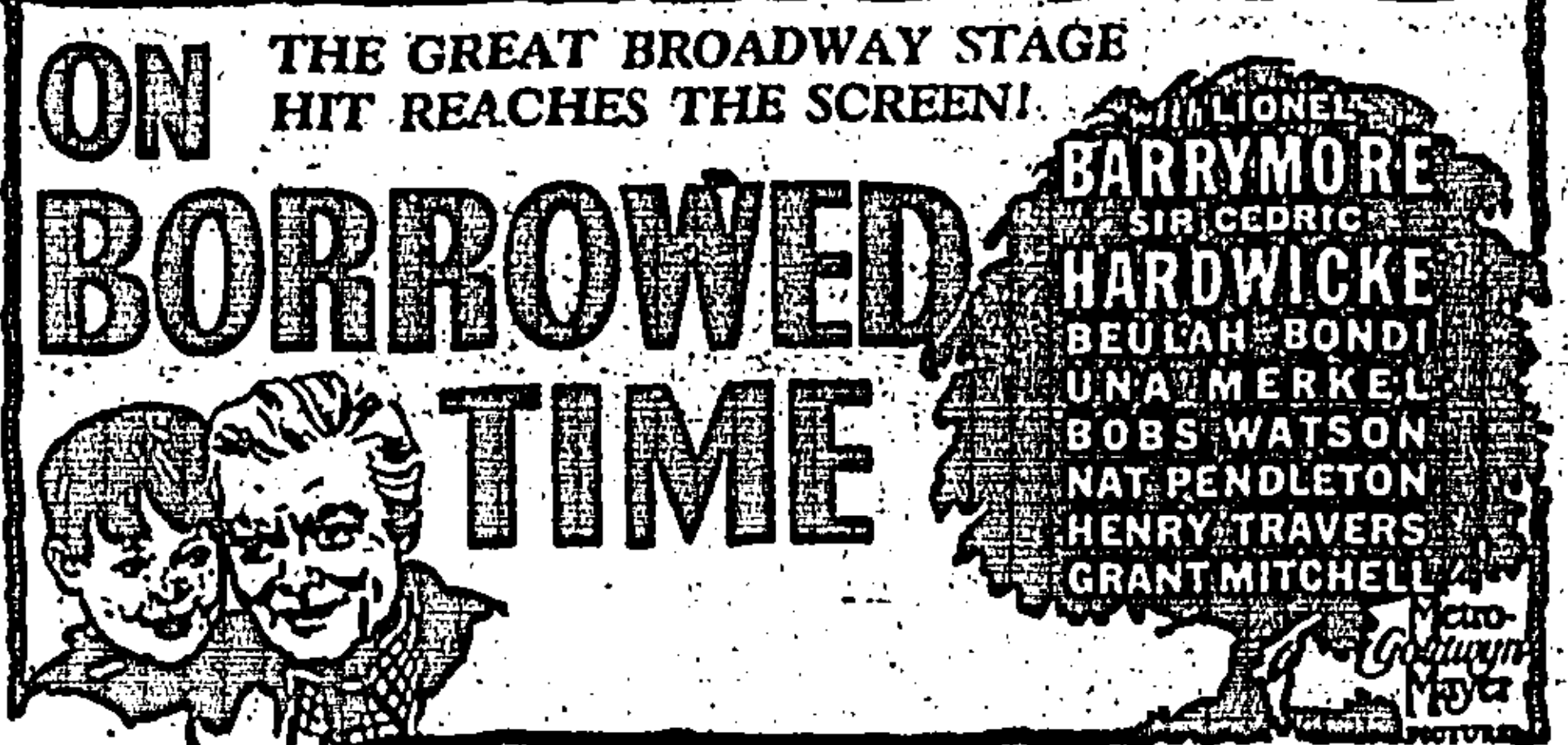
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 - 5 To necessitate
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 - 7 Archaic article
 - 8 Every
 - 9 Cord
 - 10 To observe
 - 12 Behold!
 - 14 Note of scale
 - 17 To triumph
 - 20 Paragon of knighthood
 - 21 Offers
 - 23 Conjunction
 - 24 Vegetable dish
 - 25 Percussion instruments
 - 27 Periodic windstorm
 - 29 Container
 - 31 Bustle
 - 34 Symbol for calcium
 - 35 Consented
 - 36 Moorish kettle-drum
 - 37 Well-matured
 - 38 To embarrass
 - 39 Sun god
 - 42 To listen
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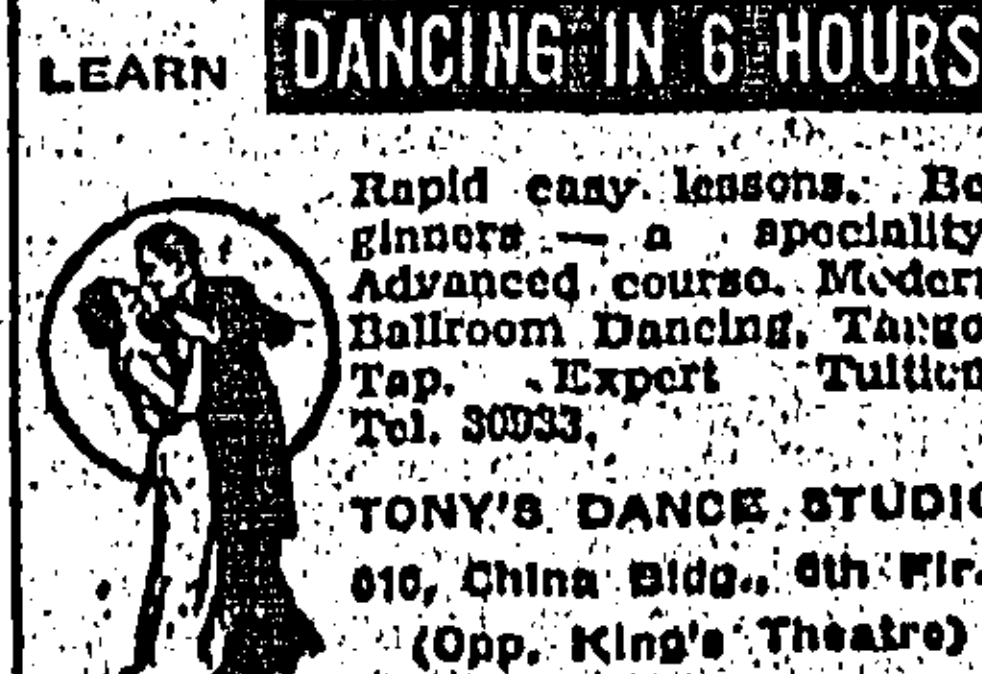
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THE CITY CARRIES ON—A cafe damaged by a bomb in a recent raid in the City area, had its gas supply cut off. The enterprising proprietor then served City workers with cups of tea on a stove in the street amid smoking debris. (Copyright, Fox).

HOSPITAL BOMBING

SURGEONS CLIMB
TO SAVE THEIR
APPARATUS

THE MERCY of healing goes on through the raids. Seven major London hospitals have been hit, yet every one of them is keeping a casualty station open in tunnels and cellars to take patients from the shattered homes around.

St. Thomas's has cleaned out its coal cellars, created operating theatres and X-ray treatment deep down under the building. Another famous hospital hit recently has all its valuable apparatus safe underground.

In these deep pits below the earth children are born and men and women have their torn bodies healed while raiders hammer above.

There is one story that stands out.

One Central London hospital had moved its valuable X-ray apparatus from a top floor to one three storeys below. A bomb hit the top floor and shattered the wing the same night.

Surgeons shinned up ladders to rescue radium and the apparatus that hung in the ruins.

The building was dangerous, but they climbed around to rescue the precious specks that will save so many lives.

I went to London's most historic hospital, writes a reporter. They were evacuating patients. Most of them were air raid casualties.

They had been bombed once in their homes. They were bombed again in their wards.

They came out in stretchers to be taken by ambulance to country hospitals. Yet the rest of the hospital was reorganising.

Wards were being barricaded, operating theatres, with their merciful anaesthetics and instruments, went downstairs to a cellar that had once stored splints.

There were still raid casualties who could not be moved. They slept through a daylight raid in the ground floor wards that had desisted the first bomb and were now reinforced.

At St. Thomas's two bombs wiped out three wings that were waiting for raid casualties. Now, the whole of the casualty clearing station has gone underground.

As casualties come in they are carried straight down the deep steps to the theatre. Sterilising pans have stoves under them, great bins hold pure water, hurricane lamps cover the electric plant.

Operations will go on with the most primitive power. Yet patients who live underground and do not see the day get sun-ray treatment to nourish them.

It is natural that the nurses and surgeons are ready. Some of them must wait on ground level to classify the patients, organise the departments.

Surgeons of great talent wait at the entrance to the hospital, standing in their tin hats and white coats, knowing that every hospital is a natural target. Several surgeons have been killed in the raids.

There are many who will still wait through the raids to try to rescue a limb or a breath of life from the disaster that falls around them.

Their service was always high and beyond distinction.

Now they wait in the halls of their hospitals, night after night, trying to stem the moments of agony of the shattered people who are brought to them for the salvation of their science.

Maternity Ward Scene

Behind them are the nurses who take their own danger and that of others so quietly. In the tunnels they wheel the sick and the injured to wards that were once cellars.

There is a deep smell of ether and antiseptic in these corridors

SABOTAGE IN
GERMANY

In the German newspapers, cases of sabotage are being reported. Formerly there was a strict ban on such information.

Presumably publication is intended as a warning because of the increase in these incidents.

WEEK-END
PILOTS BAG
29 IN 10
DAYS

A squadron of R.A.F. "week-end pilots" has brought down sixty-three enemy planes — twenty-nine in ten days—without the loss of a single pilot.

It name is the City of Glasgow 602 Fighter Squadron Auxiliary Air Force.

One of the pilots in a letter to Lord Provost Dollan, described a recent air fight.

"I had a grand tussle with a Messerschmidt 109, which lasted for about four minutes, but I managed to get him in the end," he wrote.

"It was a magnificent spectacle. Up to 20,000ft. the air was full of a whirling mass of aircraft. So many Jerries were bailing out and coming down by parachute that it looked almost like an invasion.

"One of our pilots who came down by parachute when his aircraft was hit and burst into flames was cornered on a farm by a crowd of angry farmers all armed with pitchforks.

"They thought he was a Jerry."

SHIELDED
BABY WITH
HIS BODY

A young father shielded his little daughter with his body when a bomb fell in the London area, lifted their Anderson shelter out of the ground, flung it five yards, and then buried it under earth.

The father is Mr. Bradshaw and the child is four-year-old Maureen.

The rescue workers who released them from the shelter found the child unhurt, but both her parents had to be taken to hospital for treatment.

Asleep —

"Undoubtedly the father saved the child from being hurt. She was asleep when the bomb fell only a yard from the shelter and tore a big crater there," said a warden.

Six people were killed in the same street when a bomb wrecked three houses on the opposite side of the road.

In another part air raid shelters at an A.F.S. station were partly buried by debris, including heavy concrete pillars flung on them by a bomb.

The firemen — all unhurt — released themselves.

that once breathed coal and dirt.

Day and night the nurses of St. Thomas's work, their own rooms shattered above them. They sleep on mattresses near their patients.

Food, medicines, and even flowers are still produced.

I saw one maternity ward working on a difficult case while above workmen were still trying to rescue the beds and apparatus from what had been a maternity ward.

Mercifully, the mothers and babies had been moved. Mercifully the births still went on.

The debt is real to these people.



STANDING UP TO THE ENEMY

It is some three months since the intensified night bombing of London began. Save on one or two nights of bad weather it has never ceased and it has been accompanied by full scale murder attacks on some other areas, notably Coventry, Birmingham, Southampton, Bristol and Liverpool (Merseyside). The casualties inflicted have been almost entirely civilian; the damage wrought has mainly, though of course not entirely, been to homes and to premises not engaged in war work. Unless on the totalitarian theory that a country's war strength is its entire population, and every man, woman, and child is a legitimate target, it is impossible to justify the greater part of what the German bombers have done. Where they have aimed, instead of bombing at random, some of their choices of aim have been infamous—in particular, the concentration of their attack upon hospitals.

So far as the enemy's plans were directed to breaking the spirit of our people, they have failed. Neither in the Metropolis nor elsewhere has the reaction of the victims been towards giving in. The whole nation realises now that there is no room for it; that we are fighting against an enemy who knows neither mercy nor fair play and is incapable of compromise; and that there is nothing for us but to fight on regardless of losses, until we pull him down, as by patience and steady perseverance in applying our superior resources we undoubtedly shall. Even if the actual devastation of London and Southampton were such as the German propaganda already pictures it, we could still have no thought of surrender. For giving in would involve our whole nation in a permanent and irretrievable ruin, beside which the temporary ruin of a city can sustain no sort of comparison.

The trial is severe. But no one who witnesses it will gainsay that the spirit of the people from top to bottom (and not least at the bottom) has been truly magnificent. Never had a democratic Government a stauncher democracy at its back. What is now required is that the immediate needs arising out of the air war should be fully and promptly dealt with. No one need be surprised if the crisis

Britain And The Empire Hold Out

By Major General
Sir Charles Gwynn

been suffered from air bombardment.

For about four months now the British Empire, virtually single-handed has been standing up to the combined power of two great military dictatorships of Europe.

More, indeed, than standing up. It has continued to wage against them an economic offensive. It has launched and sustained a great air offensive against Nazi Germany's power of waging war. It has reinforced its strength on its "second front" in the Middle East.

Yet when France collapsed there were many, not only among our enemies but among our friends in neutral countries, who thought that Britain could not be expected to stand alone against the two combined dictatorships.

That our enemies, exultant in their victories, should have believed this was natural. But there were in fact reasons enough for anxiety—reasons which became acute when there was a prospect that the French navy would fall into German hands.



In the United States a pessimistic view of the situation was marked and the early collapse of Britain was gloomily forecast in some quarters.

The new world felt itself threatened.

It appeared to many there that the British Navy could not retain control of the Atlantic and Britain herself with her air force outnumbered and her army without equipment seemed to lie open for an invasion.

To-day the confidence of our friends has been restored. It has been demonstrated, and this is perhaps the outstanding feature of this phase of war, that British bases are safe. The British Isles will not fail.

What has brought about this astonishing change in the situation? In the first instance, no doubt, it is due to the courage of the British race and its leaders all over the world and to their refusal to accept defeat.

In the widest sense it is to the cooperation of the three fighting services that must be attributed the Empire's power for continuing the struggle. The navy has continued to control sea communications and to it is owed not only Britain's food supply but armaments manufacture and raw materials.

It has maintained at the same time the stranglehold of the blockade and with the air force made the attempts at invasion prohibitively dangerous except to fanatics rushing to their doom.



To the magnificent courage and efficiency of the R.A.F. is owed an equal debt. It has contributed largely towards making naval operations and movements of shipping possible in the water where they are exposed to air attack. It has repulsed air attacks which might have destroyed British industry and greatly reduced losses that otherwise would have

revealed some deficiencies. Where the obstacle has been red tape, it is being cut; where it has consisted in the confusion of authorities and the resulting tendency for initiative and responsibility to fall down between a multiplicity of stools, the method chosen is to fix a definite authority for definite tasks, and to clothe it with adequate powers. The appointment of Sir Warren Fisher with wide powers to clear up London's debris was an example in point, and deserved signalling as one of the wisest steps that the Government had yet taken in this field.

Behind the lines of defence provided by the Navy and the air force the army has been re-armed and re-organised. The Home Guard has sprung into existence and has been equipped. Ground defences against air attack have also been multiplied. Every section of the population in Britain and throughout the Empire has thrown itself into the struggle. To the workmen and to their machines special credit is due.

By general consent then including, I assume, that of its enemies the Empire's base is now secure. It may be damaged by air attacks but at a great cost and the damage will at least be equalled by the damage inflicted on Germany.



Britain is intact and has built up an immensely powerful defensive line, one which depends for its strength as much on human material and spirit as on steel and concrete. Britain must not however fall a victim to the Maginot complex and become obsessed solely with the problem of defending her base. Actions are being carried out by the R.A.F. and in the Navy healthy signs of the offensive spirit have been retained.

But the importance of the Empire's outposts must not be forgotten in the determination to defend the base.

Egypt and the Middle East have become almost as important a theatre of operations as Britain itself. Imperial security there is of vital importance. There also may arise an opportunity not only for frustrating the enemy's intentions but for striking back.



Looking back on these three months the Empire has made an amazing recovery both in itself and in the world's estimation. Is it surprising that confidence has been restored and neutral opinion has been impressed? But Mr. Churchill is wise to insist that there is a long and hard road to travel and that it extends out of the present range of vision and the British people must steel themselves for the journey. There can be no thought of repose or relaxation of effort.

The moral and material assistance which the Empire's efforts have won from its friends is perhaps the most reassuring tribute that could be paid to them.

The air war may continue for a long period with only minor alterations in methods. We are afforded an opportunity of reviewing the situation in other theatres of war and potential theatres. Libya and Abyssinia are of course the only other active theatres but potential theatres are numerous.

In Libya Graziani is still attempting to develop communications and an advance base at Sidi Barrani. Subjected to bombardment by naval guns on one side to harassing attacks by mobile land units on the other and to air attacks, his preparations necessarily proceed slowly. He is suffering losses in material and communications of his advanced troops make considerable demands on his resources.



Meanwhile Allied forces have deployed in strength in and behind strongly fortified positions at Mersa Matruh. It is an army in which many nations are represented and all its constituents are imbued with an offensive spirit. What was perhaps a critical situation now inspires confidence for while it would be a profound error to under-estimate Italian strength in numbers, quality and material the Allied army is now formidable also. The opposing armies, however, are and may remain for some time

outside striking distance of each other for anything in the nature of offensive attack and counter-attack.

Before the offensive stage is reached Graziani may receive reinforcements of aircraft and mechanised troops from Germany. But it seems to me improbable that they would be on a large scale.

For the German Air Force is pretty fully engaged in the Battle of Britain and part is presumably needed on Germany's eastern frontier.

Sea communications with Libya are by no means safe from disturbance and unless they can be made safe it is doubtful if Germany would risk sending many valuable troops across the Mediterranean.

On the Abyssinia-Kenya frontier skirmishing takes place freely, but there seems little prospect of any important development there.

The Italian occupation of Somaliland, as expected, has produced no change in the general military situation.

Fronting the Sudan at Kassala the Italians are prepared for an offensive operation, but it is unlikely to mature until it can be synchronised with a major attempt by Graziani in Libya. How far the Italians in Abyssinia possess the resources for a serious invasion of the Sudan is doubtful. In any case they would meet stout opposition and be exposed to harassing counter-attacks. Important events are definitely pending in North Africa but there may be considerable delay before they develop.



Of the other regions that demand attention Spain is perhaps more important. Pressure is obviously being put on General Franco to make a move on Gibraltar, presumably with Axis assistance.

Berlin prophesies that Spain will join the three-Power Pact. Italy hints at Spain's entry into the war.

No fact is more certain than that Spain is war-weary. She is extremely impoverished as a result of her own civil war and the interruption to trade caused by the present war.

She stands to lose more than she can even be promised by the Axis by going to war. Perhaps her attitude, like that of others, is one of waiting on the outcome of the air Battle of Britain.

Axis pressure on Balkan countries has brought Rumania and Hungary into the position of dependent states. Obviously, however uncertain, the attitude of Russia exercises a restraining influence on other developments.

It seems certain that the Germans or Italians will not resort to the use of force in the Balkans if they can achieve their aims by threats. Apart from the danger of a collision with Russia, it is obvious that military operations of any sort in the Balkans would interfere with the transport of oil and other supplies which the Axis powers require.



Diplomatic pressure on Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece will no doubt be heavy, but Greece alone seems in danger. The British guarantee, which of course has a direct bearing on the naval situation in the Mediterranean, is bitterly resented by Berlin and Rome. A German attack on Turkey, even if the Balkan countries acquiesced, seems improbable, not only owing to Russia's relations with Turkey, but because it would involve very extensive military operations which could not achieve rapid results.

How far Germany is convinced by the Finnish War that Russia does not constitute a military danger is hard to say. For in the later stages of that war the previously low estimates of Russian efficiency were considerably revised upwards.

The pact of Japan with the Axis Powers, designed to place a brake on Anglo-American collaboration, has had if anything the opposite result. What the effect will be on the attitude of Russia is still ob-

Some Very Odd Jobs

Are you tired of your job? Would you like to do something a little more out of the ordinary? If so, here are a few suggestions for you?

Why not be a professional corpse? Leo Moore has played the corpse in over a hundred film productions and is Hollywood's best paid small part actor. Before he won success, however, he had to work hard practising to control his muscles and breathing so that the illusion of death would be complete.

Another man who earns his living by pretending to be lifeless is Rudolf Nedvidek, who is a pro-

By Mary Bridges

fessional tailor's dummy. He stands for hours in shop windows without moving an eyelid, however much passers-by may stare at him.

If your senses are keener than the average you might earn your living as a wine or tea taster, a cheese sampler or a milk drinker, employed by one of the big dairy companies to test and grade samples of milk. Even your nose might find you a job. One American gas company employs an elderly negro to go sniffing the air in the streets of the town they supply to detect any leaks. He is paid for each leakage he discovers.

Perhaps a life-time of potato-peeling does not appeal to you, but Mr. J. H. Hickman, champion potato peeler of the Cunard Line, loves his work and says that it is highly-skilled. He has peeled over 3,000,000 potatoes.

A Bolton man found an original way of making a living. He goes round from house to house with a bottle of gilt paint and offers to regild the numbers on doors when they are dull and hard to see. Another man earned £3 a week simply by carrying round a bucket of water at race meetings for the bookmakers to dip their sponges in it.

A London girl makes a very good living as a professional shopper. She buys clothes for women who live far away from town and has customers not only in the provinces but all over the world. Very different are the jobs of some girls in the film studios. They are employed as "agers" to fill the demand for old clothes for screen tramps and down-and-outs. They can make the smartest suit look old and threadbare in a few minutes by rubbing it on a rough wall or stillily staining it.

Then there are the human "guinea pigs" who allow doctors and scientists to try out all kinds of queer experiments on them. One man earned £10 a month by allowing the doctors to give him headaches to aid them in their search for a cure for migraines.

Less painful but far more dangerous is the window cleaner's job. Not the ordinary window cleaner, but those employed on the skyscrapers of New York. The window cleaning staff of the Empire State Building, which has 102 storeys, are among the highest paid unskilled workers in the world, earning £8 a week while every man is insured for 1,000 dollars and is given regular medical examination. Most of the workers are of Polish origin.

secure and so far it does not seem materially to have changed the general military situation.

In the situation the outstanding point to my mind is that Germany, who up to now has won victories mainly through her army, is unable to discover the theatre in which she can use her army to the detriment of Britain.

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LAND MINES IN NAZI RAIDS ON BRITAIN

THE LATEST WEAPON being used by Nazi raiders over Britain, the "land mine," is vividly described in a letter received in Shanghai recently from home. The terrible effects of this weapon, the sole purpose of which is the destruction of houses and small buildings, result from the fact that there is a tremendous horizontal explosion when it hits the ground, and poorly-built houses are simply blown down like a pack of cards. The land mine, which is dropped by parachute, floats down noiselessly, and cannot be accurately aimed, since it drifts about before landing.

Extracts from the letter follow:—

"As I write this letter an air-raid is in progress and the German planes are met with some of our anti-aircraft fire which is going off with bangs which shake the house.

"The Huns come over in waves at night and one of their routes to London seems to be right over our house. They have a most annoying hum or drone which is irregular in tone and volume and the closest (one's going over now) parallel I can give is the purring of a cat, the hum of an oscillating fan, or a car running on three cylinders.

"Last Saturday one of the bombers was caught in a network of searchlights just over our house and was said to have been chased by a couple of Hurricanes. However, following the characteristic indiscriminate practice of the Hun, the swine just let go his two 500 pound aerial torpedoes which went off, one four doors away, and the other six doors away.

"D., C., and I were in the dining room at the time and we just hurried ourselves on the floor. There was a terrific woomph of rushing air. The windows crashed outwards, scattering glass all over the shop, and three of the ceilings came down whilst doors and windows just snapped themselves like bits of rotted wood.

"Then before we had time to recover the next explosion shook the house and we rushed in to the children in the next room, and, believe it or not, they were, by a miracle, unharmed—and still asleep.

For a week or two previous to the experience I have just mentioned I had been trying my hand at mending ceilings, filling in cracks and so forth, and generally making a mess with the plaster, cement and whitewash.

Remembers Shanghai Bombings

"With young G. it has been rather difficult, as he still subconsciously remembers the Shanghai bombings and is most highly strung. We explained that bombs had been dropped and they made a big typhoon which seemed to satisfy his curiosity—up to a point.

"Hitherto we had considered ourselves perfectly safe and would often walk into the garden at night and watch London's terrific welcome of A.A. guns which form a curtain of 'bright starlight' explosions in the air some many miles away.

"With this feeling of confidence our next door neighbours agreed on the fateful night to let their youngster, who is about eight, stay up and watch the barrage, and no sooner had he put his head out of the window than did the two torpedoes go off. He was unharmed but suffered such a shock that he was fairly hysterical afterwards.

"We are trying to get a shelter built but there is such a demand and in addition government restrictions on cement that we simply do not know when we'll have it.

"As you have doubtless read in the papers the Germans put all our main stations, Victoria, London Bridge, etc., out of action—they started to function again the other night—and I was spending 6½ hours a day in travelling and coming home with a raid on at nights.

"We get used to anything in time, but the Germans have now introduced a new weapon—the land mine. This devilish contraption is, I am told, about eight feet long and has a parachute attached to it so that it comes down noiselessly. As it nears the ground a device is said to set fire to the parachute—and thus the

mine falls a short distance. On its nose are said to be a number of prongs, and on hitting the earth these monsters go off—Bang."

Noiseless Descent

"The idea of the parachute is partly to allow the descent to be noiseless and so take the unsuspecting population unawares and murder them before they can fall flat or take to their shelters; partly to prevent the mine from burying itself before exploding. The diabolical effect on exploding is, therefore, to create a terrific horizontal blast which, on poorly constructed houses, hits them at their foundations and down they come, a whole row of them, like a pack of cards.

"There is another idea about the parachute to the mine and it is this. The German swine comes along—shuts the engine off, drops the parachute and is off in sufficient time to escape detection.

"The introduction of this parachute mine wipes out all arguments which the Germans may advance to support the supposition that they only bomb military objectives.

"The parachute is a most inaccurate affair, capable of being blown hither and thither by the wind, and from my own experience, and with my own eyes, I can say that if they do hit a military objective it is more by chance than by any desire upon the part of the bomber. But if the defenceless homes of sleeping men, women and children are a military target in the eyes of the German Luftwaffe, then they may claim a 99 per cent. accuracy in their bombings.

Evidence Is Clear

"I never felt it possible for me to find myself capable of harbouring so much white-hot hate for the German as I do now. When civilians have been killed I have, in fairness, tried to see the military object which was missed, and have, against my will, shrugged my shoulders and put it down to bad shooting on the part of the Germans. The evidence now is clear. A little Surrey town I passed through the other evening was intact. Next morning when I went through it a great part of it was in ruins. Except again that one considers the homes of defenceless civilians to be military objectives—there was not a military objective hit, just the ruins of simple homes of simpler people—over 200 homes wrecked.

"And this afternoon a German plane, right outside our house, came down to about 400 feet and machine-gunned C. and the two children as their first target. Again, by the luck of our family, they rushed into the house and escaped unharmed, C. being very much shaken by the experience.

"Let them blow up military objectives—railways, factories and so on, but to strike indiscriminately as they are doing is just plain murder, and when this war is over and won, there must be a murderer's fate for every German. There are honest to goodness decent Germans, much as there are honest to goodness decent Jews, but as the Nazis don't believe the latter case, why should we make an effort to believe the former?

"There is a growing demand for reprisals against Berlin. It will come. Every day we are gaining in strength. Their invasion has a matter of days left to be attempted. I pray that 1941 will find us ready to take the offensive and to smash these perverted swine over the brink of the world and into the blackness of the region beyond—where they belong. Now I guess you know how I feel."



Distinctive in styling, trim in look is this sports outfit worn by Deanna Durbin, star of Universal's "Spring Parade." The dress is of sheer beige wool with tailored top and flared skirt gathered to front fullness. Deanna's casual coat is a shepherd's check of beige and brown.

GERMANS RATTLED BY R.A.F. RAIDS

Travellers and seamen arriving at Baltic ports from Germany bring reports, which are ever more persistent, of the effects of the British night raids, especially on the temper of the German people, who are growing more and more impatient. Even among the troops in Holland and Belgium war enthusiasm, it is said, is declining.

Apparently the relative inactivity and the delayed invasion of Great Britain, although it is repeatedly announced to be impending, has gone a long way to undermine the spirit of the soldiers, and the belief is growing, not only among the rank and file, but also among the officers, that they have bitten off more than they can chew in challenging Great Britain across the sea. This belief is strengthened by the many German bodies washed up on the shores.

These casualties are reported to be due to experimental exercises in embarkation in preparation for invasion as well as to the activities of British submarines and the Norwegian phantom ship Sleipner.

Some of the lives lost off the coasts of Holland and Belgium are certainly due to the recent bombing by the R.A.F. of heavily laden craft which had been assembled for an attempt at invasion.

Seamen say the most extensive havoc has been wrought by British armaments, especially at the ports of Hamburg and Bremen. This may explain an advertisement now appearing in the German Press for engineers, surveyors, builders, and electricians to proceed to Hamburg. Attractive conditions and long contracts are offered.



Jackle Cooper and Bonita Granville are teamed together as high school sweethearts in "Gallant Sons." Other well-known players in the cast include Gene Reynolds, Ian Hunter, Gail Patrick, June Preisser and William Tracy.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN SAYS

"I THINK YOU'RE GREAT" ON OCEAN 'PHONE

CHARLIE CHAPLIN spoke to London recently — and there were almost tears in his voice, writes a London correspondent.

It was not Mr. Charles Chaplin, the film magnate and philosopher, who spoke to me from New York — but Charlie, the great little Londoner, who has just done magnificent service for his country and humanity by his brave and sensational film "The Great Dictator," shown in New York for the first time.

The speech ending the film, when, as a little Jewish barber (double of the dictator), he calls on the soldiers to fight to free the world, "to do away with greed, hate, and intolerance," is expected to have profound effect throughout the United States.

It was hailed in that country as the greatest act of propaganda for the British cause carried out by any single man since the war began.

Undoubtedly this was largely the reason I was permitted the unusual call to him at his New York hotel.

Far more eager to hear about his native London than to talk about his great film, he listened excitedly to my account of how London was carrying on. He continually interrupted with "Great! Oh, that's simply great!"

Then he burst out: "I wish I could express what I feel in my heart for the British people in their splendid courage."

'Thumbs Up'

"When we see the news reel, and we see that great sign 'thumbs up,' when we see children with their thumbs up, when we see the Londoners standing amid the smoking ruins of their homes and still able to raise a smile, it is the greatest inspiration in the world."

His clear modulated voice, which Londoners will soon hear for the first time in films in articulate form — a perfect English voice, with no trace either of his Cockney childhood or his long years in the States — trembled as he spoke.

Charlie, one-time Kennington boy, became Mr. Charles Chaplin as he spoke of his film.

He showed the same courageous opinions over the telephone as he does in his film-character as the little Jewish barber.

He told me that when he

began to make the film he did not think that war was certain.

'For Freedom'

"I merely tried to use what skill I have in an endeavour to help defeat these horrible totalitarian States," he explained.

"It was because of my strong anti-Nazi feeling that I made the picture. I wanted to do something for freedom and liberty."

"But the final speech I wrote after the war began. In fact, I only added it just as I was about to complete the film."

"I wanted that speech to appeal to all the English-speaking world. Many people have different ideas about it — has a purely humanitarian aspect."

"You know, it is not fair for me to make a propaganda picture in this country. In this speech I am merely a humanitarian speaking to the military, barbaric people."

"But I must confess that I wouldn't mind if it had an effect on the people of the United States — and everybody believes that it is going to do a great deal for our cause."

No Threats

Chaplin told me that he had not been threatened since making the film.

"I have received a few crank letters, that's all, but no real threats," he said. "I have no special guard — but I keep my eyes open. I'm not afraid of any of them."

About the final issue of the war he expressed no doubts.

"Totalitarianism cannot last whatever happens. In Europe it is a passing phase. It cannot endure — it will not, in the end, all that matters is the individual — and I believe in the individual."

The unexpected call from London was evidently even a greater surprise and delight to him than to me, and his last cheering words rang out clear from New York: "Carry on! Thumbs up!"

HOUSES ROBBED BY GERMANS

Every house in Guernsey has been searched by German troops and all food, canned (and preserved), taken away.

This is disclosed by a Channel Island refugee in a letter to Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P.

The inhabitants of the island are allowed two meals a day.

The refugee also states that he has heard from his four sisters, left in Guernsey, that his seventy-four-year-old brother-in-law was machine-gunned and killed on the first day of the German invasion.

MOSLEY AT A PRISON CAMP

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN BRIXTON PRISON—INCLUDING SIR OSWALD MOSLEY AND OTHER PROMINENT FASCISTS—HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRED TO AN INTERNMENT CAMP, LATCHMERE HOUSE, HAM COMMON, RICHMOND.

In the House of Commons Mr. Stoke (Soc., Ipswich) asked the Minister of Home Security whether he was aware that in some cases prisoners had been questioned by the military.

Mr. Peake replied that Latchmere House was not a military detention camp, although the commandant and guards were provided by the War Office.

It was used for the temporary detention of persons thought to be in possession of information of value to the Government.

R.A.F. MEN LAND IN GERMANY

LANDING AND CAPTURE OF BRITISH FLIERS IN GERMANY IS REPORTED IN BERLIN.

Pilot Officer Robert David Wawn, of Sydney, Australia, landed with a crew of three and stepped out for a smoke, states the report.

Their Hampden Hereford P2070 of the 50th Bomber Squadron carried unreleased pigeons, the Germans said.

Names of the crew were given as: John Scholfield, Princes Road, Doncaster; Sergeant Ralf Smith, Elswick Road, Newcastle, and Sergeant Henry Byshell, Westwood Park, London, S.E. —Associated Press.

AXIS IN SHANGHAI STRAINED?

For the past several months, local Germans and Italians have met together at the German School in Great Western Road, Shanghai, every Thursday night, says the "North China Daily News." Last Thursday, however, only Germans were present. Apparently, invitations were not sent to Italians.

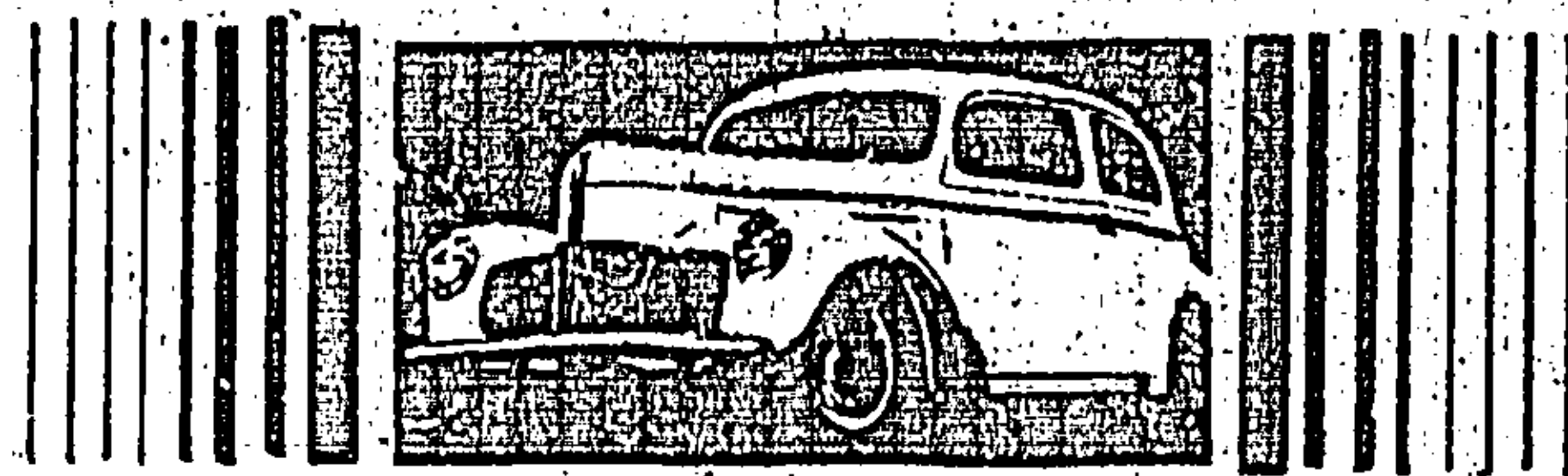
It was also learned that the Italian flag painted on the side of the s.s. Conte Verde, the large Italian passenger boat which sought refuge in Shanghai when Italy declared war on Great Britain and France, was being painted out.

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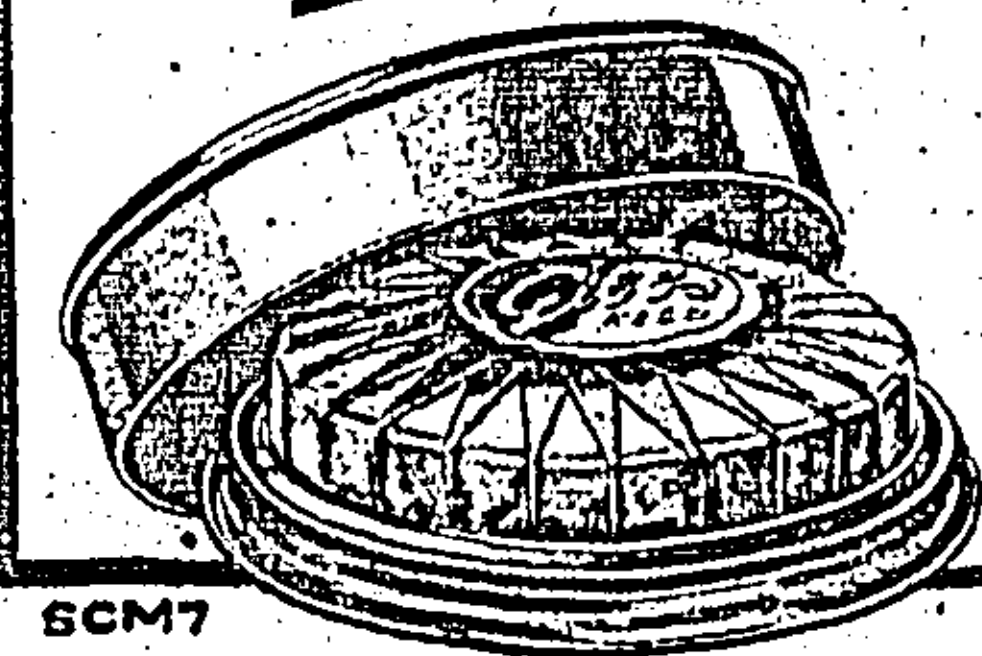
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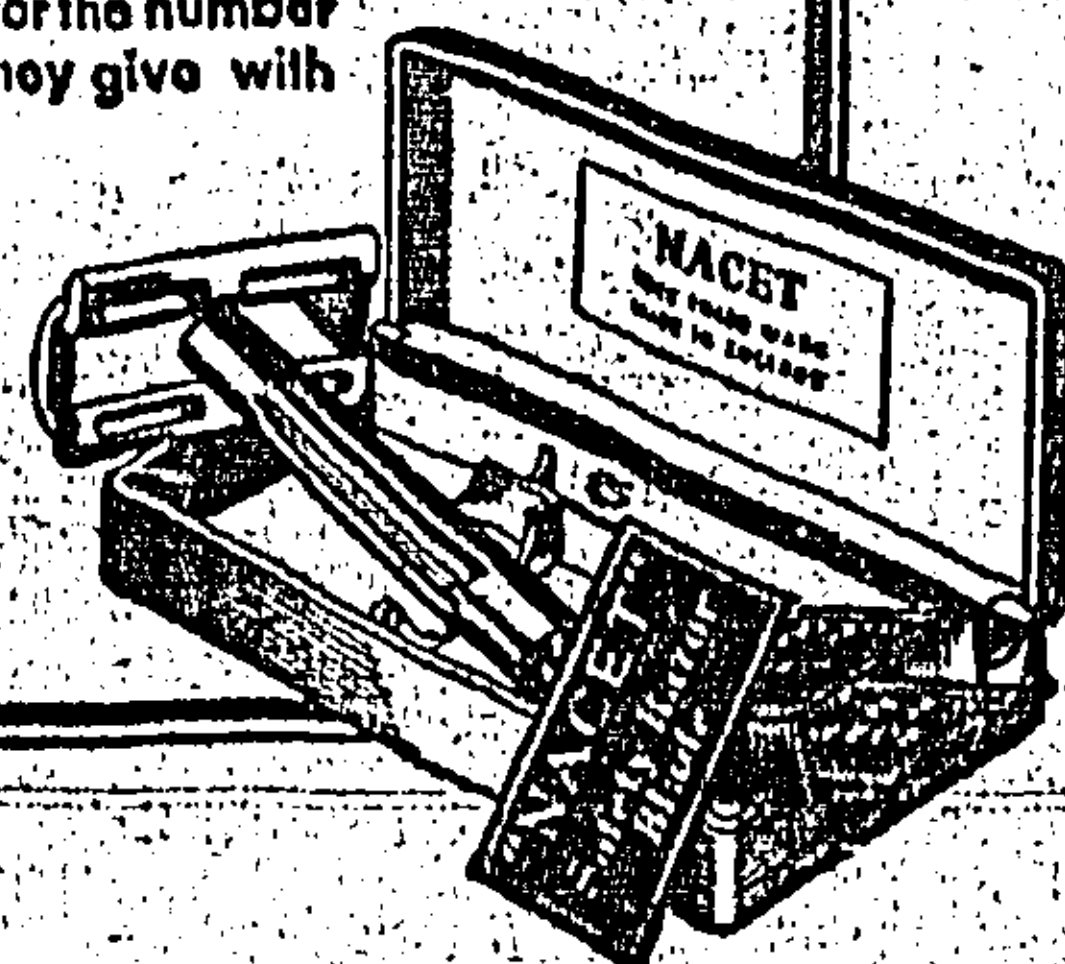
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ments of their claims with the
undersigned not later than 31st
December, 1940, failing which
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Hong Kong, 5th December, 1940.



NOTICE

WATER SUPPLY

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in the Colony's reservoirs, it is
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cember 5th, water will be shut off
in all districts from 10 p.m. to
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H. J. PEARCE,

Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 3rd December, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CON-
DITIONS OF THE Sale by Public
Auction to be held on MONDAY,
the 9th day of December, 1940, at
3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public
Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor of
one Lot of Crown Land at
Blue Pool Road, in the
Colony of Hong Kong for a
term of 75 years, with the option
of renewal at a Crown Rent to be
fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the King, for one further
term of 75 years.Intending bidders are advised
that immediately after the dis-
posal of the lot the Purchaser (if
not the applicant) will be required
to deposit with an authorised
officer who will be present at the
sale, the sum of two hundred dol-
lars, (\$200) in cash. This sum
will be refunded on payment of
the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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East-West vulnerable

♠	9 8 5 2
♥	K Q 10
♦	A Q J 10
♣	9 3

♠	K J 5	N	♠	Q 10 7 3
♥	7 5 4 2	W	♥	8 6 3
♦	6 5 2	E	♦	7 4 3
♣	Q J 10	S	♣	A K 4

♠	A 4
♥	A J 9
♦	K 9 8
♣	8 7 6 5 2

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

West saw no point in opening
either red suit, and feared a spade
lead, so opened the Queen of clubs.East overtook with
the club King, pre-
paring to unblock
the suit; and South
innocently dropped
the seven of clubs.
South, of course,
knew, of course,
why West had
opened the Queen of
clubs; he was just
glad — whatever the reason was.
He could count eight top tricks
and no chance at all for a ninth
unless he managed to set up a
club before they knocked out his
Ace of spades. Under the cir-
cumstances it was his not to re-
ason why, but just to tell a con-
vincing lie.East looked happily at South's
seven of clubs. His partner had
opened a long club suit! For
South could have only one card
better than the seven, and West
must therefore have led from a
six-card suit. So East hastily
laid down the club Ace, and South
just as hastily dropped the club
eight. And then another club
lead went to West's ten.At this point, of course, South
was able to claim the rest, for
the opponents had set up two club
tricks for him. Note that East
might have shifted to spades if
South had not encouraged him to
continue the clubs. And a spade
shift would have been the end
of that hand, for South would
have lost three spades and two
clubs without a struggle.Yesterday you were playing a
Small Slam contract. You had
entries to each hand, no losers in
the side suits, and the following
trump suit:9 7 6
DummyYou
A Q 10 8 5 4

How did you play the trumps?

ANSWER: Lay down the Ace
of trumps first. Then go over to
the dummy and lead a trump
towards your Queen. If the Ace
drops a singleton honour on your
left, you have saved yourself a
guess. Don't forget you are per-
fectly willing to lose one trump
trick; you just want to insure
yourself against the loss of two
trumps.Score 100% for the recommend-
ed play, 0 for any other.

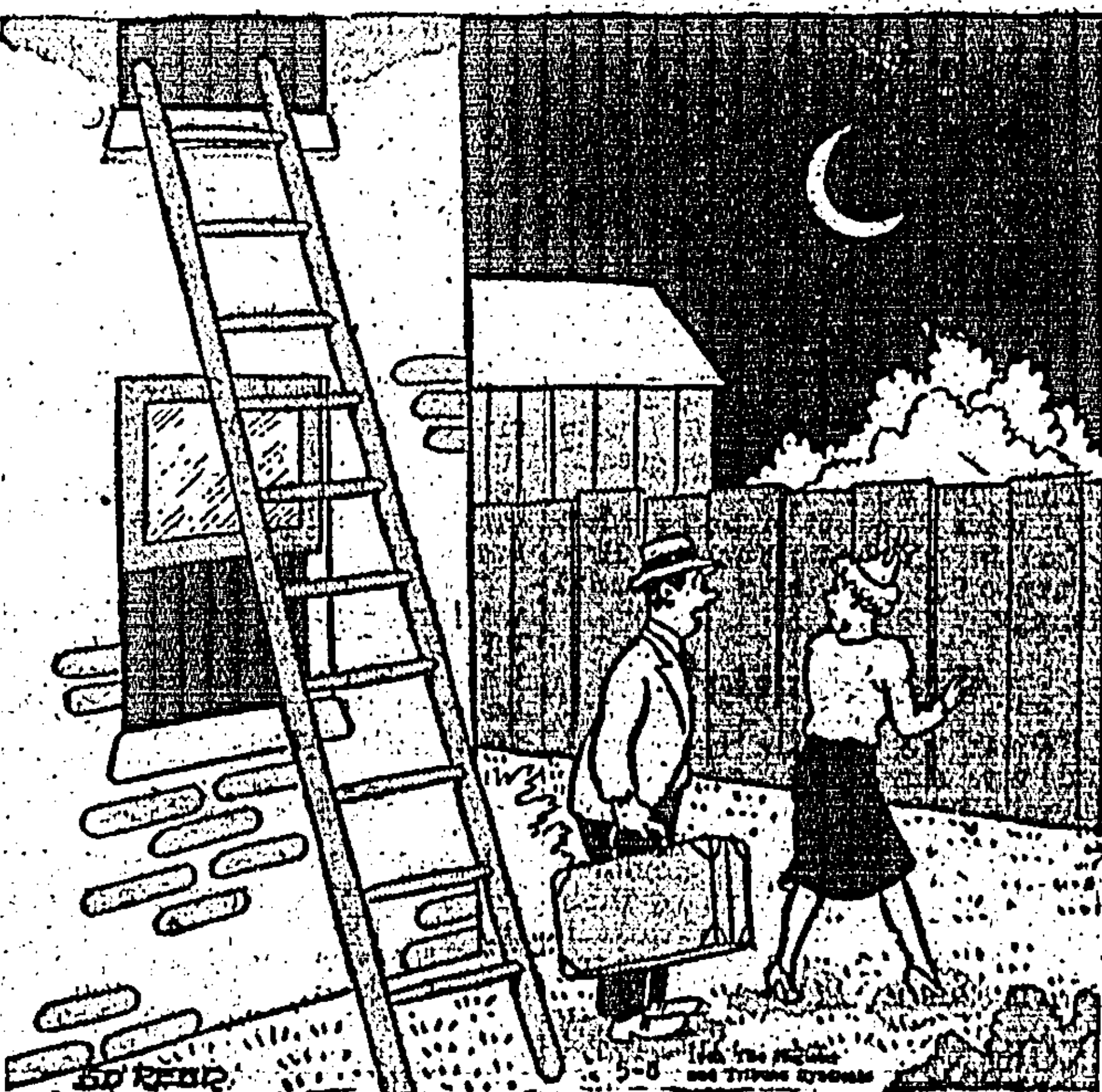
Question No. 581

To-day you are playing another
Small Slam contract. You have
entries to each hand, no losers in
the side suits, and the following
trump suit:A J 8 4
DummyYou
K 9 7 6 5How do you play the trumps?
(Answer to-morrow.)(Released by The Bell Syndi-
cate, Inc.)One sure way of gaining a
lot of unpopularity is to fill
every sentence you utter full
of "I's."RAIDS
MEAN FUN
FOR THEMFive mothers—the "early turn
squad"—wait every morning at
the gates with a Norwich school
for younger children opens.And when the school opens again
after the lunch hour five more
mothers are there to carry on.The women volunteers have
formed their own children's
wardens' corps with the slogan,
"Fun and games for the kiddies
during raid alarms."When the siren is heard the
women wardens get busy.Each gathers her own group of
children and leads them singing
to their shelters. Once there it
is her business to organise games
and competitions to "keep them
amused."EVEN INFANTS
CARRIED ONThe headmaster of a London
school was so pleased that chil-
dren in his infants' class were at
school in the morning, after hav-
ing spent most of the night in air-
raid shelters, that he bought them
all ice cream to eat in their
morning break.LONDON
PUZZLES
NAZISReports from American
correspondents in Berlin
show between the lines
that the Nazis are both
puzzled and exasperated
by the failure of the Bri-
tish to understand that
they ought to give in. It
is not hard to see, too, in
some wishful thinking
that the Germans are do-
ing, a certain anxiety as
well as bewilderment.Thus one correspondent reports
the Germans as saying it is highly
significant that official communi-
ques are constantly reiterating
that railway stations and lines
in and around London and else-
where in England are being
bombed.This can only mean, they say,
that London is becoming more
and more a "beleaguered fortress
which, like Warsaw and Rotten-
dam, will have to choose between
destruction and unconditional
capitulation." Daily and nightly
bombings of a city the size of
London is bound, they insist, to
reduce the spirit of the inhabit-
ants.It annoys them, too, that the
Royal Family stays at its post,
and so they will not believe it.
In the hope of disposing of this
unpalatable fact they declare that
"the cheap and obviously only
slightly effective practice" of
making Britons believe the Royal
Family is standing by in spite of
the rain of German bombs will
be still less effective when the
British people "discover that it is
living outside London, and dashes
into town for State acts and pro-
paganda purposes only when Ger-
man raids are over."COLONEL KILLED
WHILE SHOOTINGColonel Cecil G. Hankey, aged
sixty-six, of Binderton House,
near Chichester, was shot dead
while pigeon shooting in his
grounds.He was alone, but the position
in which he was found proved that
he had caught his toe in a hole
and stumbled forward with the re-
sult that his gun went off.

Verdict: Accidental death.

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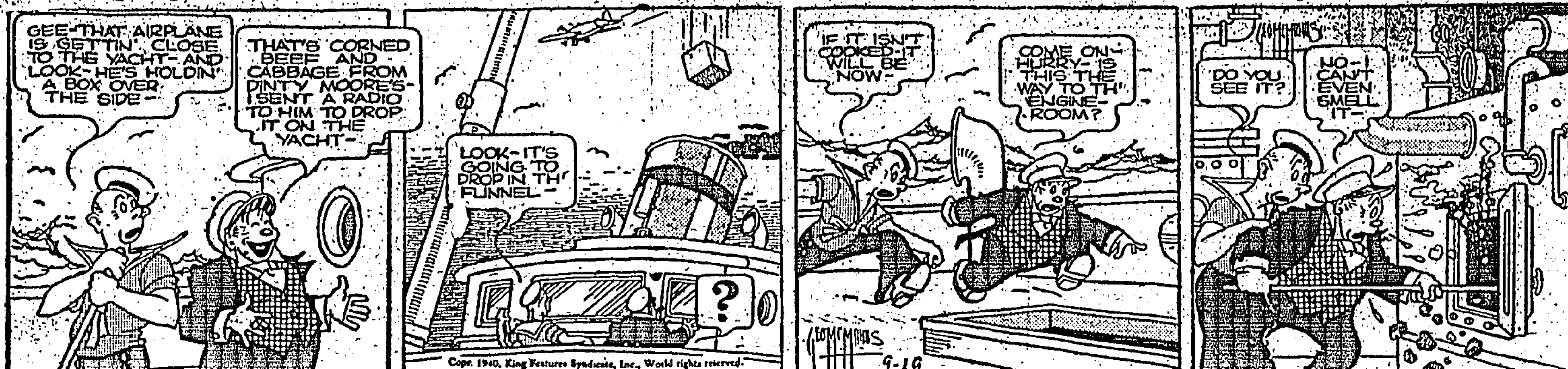
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Advised On Cosmetics

It's about time we considered those happy, pretty youngsters from ten to fifteen. They have their vanity too, and should be advised which beauty aids are essential and how to use them.

A complexion brush and a tube of liquid soap (or any other good bland soap) are invaluable companions for the younger lady. Being more active than her older sister her complexion needs frequent scrubbing to relieve the pores of secreted wastes. Three times a week is not too frequent for facial shampoos. A bit of pure cold cream may be used for dry skin lubrication.

No powder, please, you sweet young things, be glad you can show a fresh, translucent face to the world. Every older girl and woman envies you your youthful skin. A rose pomade lipstick does more than keep your lips tinted a soft girlish shade—it protects them from getting chapped on nippy days.

Until you are sixteen or older do not wear nail polishes. For special party nights you might wear a very soft pink or rose, but don't ruin the freshness of your years and display poor taste by wearing the blarney shades. Keep your cuticle smooth, your nails shaped oval but not long, and spotlessly clean.

Schedule Your Chief Beauty Rituals

You are never too young to learn the important details of personal daintiness. Your teeth must be brushed every day once or twice and dental floss should be drawn between them before going to bed; bathe every day by taking a swim, shower or tub bath and



A good brushing is exhilarating and greatly beautifies the hair. Young girls adore those new crystallite-plastic brushes which are light as a feather, coloured if you desire, and easy to keep sanitary. Just whisking through soapsuds does the trick!

resort to a morning sponge bath. Keep your toenails looking just as nice as you do your finger nails, and don't forget to brush your feet well with suds when you are in the tub.

Once a week or every ten days, shampoo your own hair if you do not go along with mother to a saloon. Very young things, who go hatless most of the time, require an occasional hot oil or hot reconditioning oil treatment. You

should be allowed to have your own bottle of bland, liquid shampoo but if mother objects to buying one, make your own shampoo. Shave a bar of castile soap into hot water and let it melt. You will soon learn how much you should shave and melt to give your hair two soapings when you shampoo. Rinse hair well in clear waters several times or stand under the shower until your hair squeaks from cleanness!

Under no circumstances be tempted to use a bleach or tint on your hair, a masque on your young skin, mascara on your lashes, too bright lip rouge or vivid polishes.

Your terribly sweet as you are (when perfectly groomed!) and mighty more attractive than the girl who tries to look sophisticated by using aids meant for older, fading beauty!

Beautify Dry Skin

The woman who has a dry skin, whether it is sensitive or not, has difficulty in keeping it smooth. The least overdose of sun, a drive in the open, or a nippy day will irritate her face. She finds her skin slightly allergic to certain and other beauty aids.

A cleansing cream is necessary to remove make-up or dust, but the creaming should be followed by a washing with bland soap and warm water. Many experts are convinced that soap cleansing robs the skin of oil. I cannot agree with them. Soap cleansing is necessary for any skin. You must depend upon a skin oil or rich cream for extra lubrication, and a lotion or light cream foundation base to keep your make-up intact for the hours you are away from home.

There is a new liquefying cleanser available this fall which is kind to the most sensitive skins and does a neat job of ridding the pores of dirt and secretions. It looks good enough to eat (a luscious pink) and comes in an adorable container with a large bee on its lid. It will delight those women who like a quickly melting texture for cream cleansing.

A Lubricating Aid

Another boon to dry skin care is a pure vegetable oil which one heats slightly in a pan of hot water before applying to the face, or, for

that matter, to any part of the body including the scalp which needs lubricating and toning. The longer you leave it on your skin the better, but a busy woman may wear it only an hour or two and still reap beauty. It smoothes and soothes. Applied to a freshly cleansed skin just before you take a hot bath is an effective way of banishing that fatigued look at the end of the day.

For Skin Protection

If a woman once acquires the habit of using a foundation lotion or cream beneath her make-up, she will never feel dressed without it. Such a formula protects the skin from the weather, keeps it dewy soft and holds make-up intact. But it isn't simple to find the perfect foundation for your specific skin texture and condition, so don't be discouraged if the first one you buy does not prove entirely satisfactory.

The trick in using any foundation lotion is to allow enough time to apply it. Over a clean skin spread it, wait at least three minutes then blot off any excess with fresh tissue or a towel. With finger tips blend in your cream rouge and press on powder with absorbent cotton. Whisk away surplus with a powder brush, smooth your brows, touch up your lashes, and colour your pretty lips. Now the dry-skin lady is a beauty and should go out and have a very happy time!

Hints To B.W.O.F. Knitters

1. Do not knot your wool—wool should be spliced. Remember every knot in a sock may mean a blister for the wearer.
 2. Toes of socks must be finished by grafting.
 3. Darn in all ends of wool.
 4. Cast on and off loosely but firmly on all garments.
 5. All finished garments to be pressed.
 6. Lastly but most important, follow the instructions with pattern.
 7. Kindly attach name of knitter to garment.
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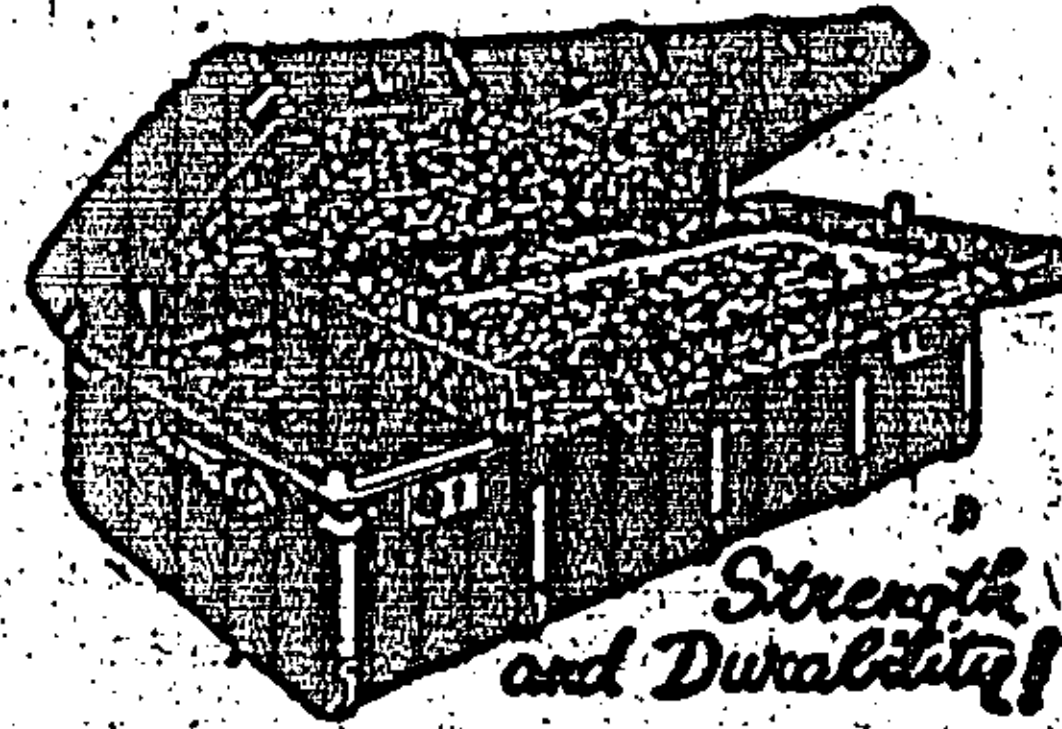
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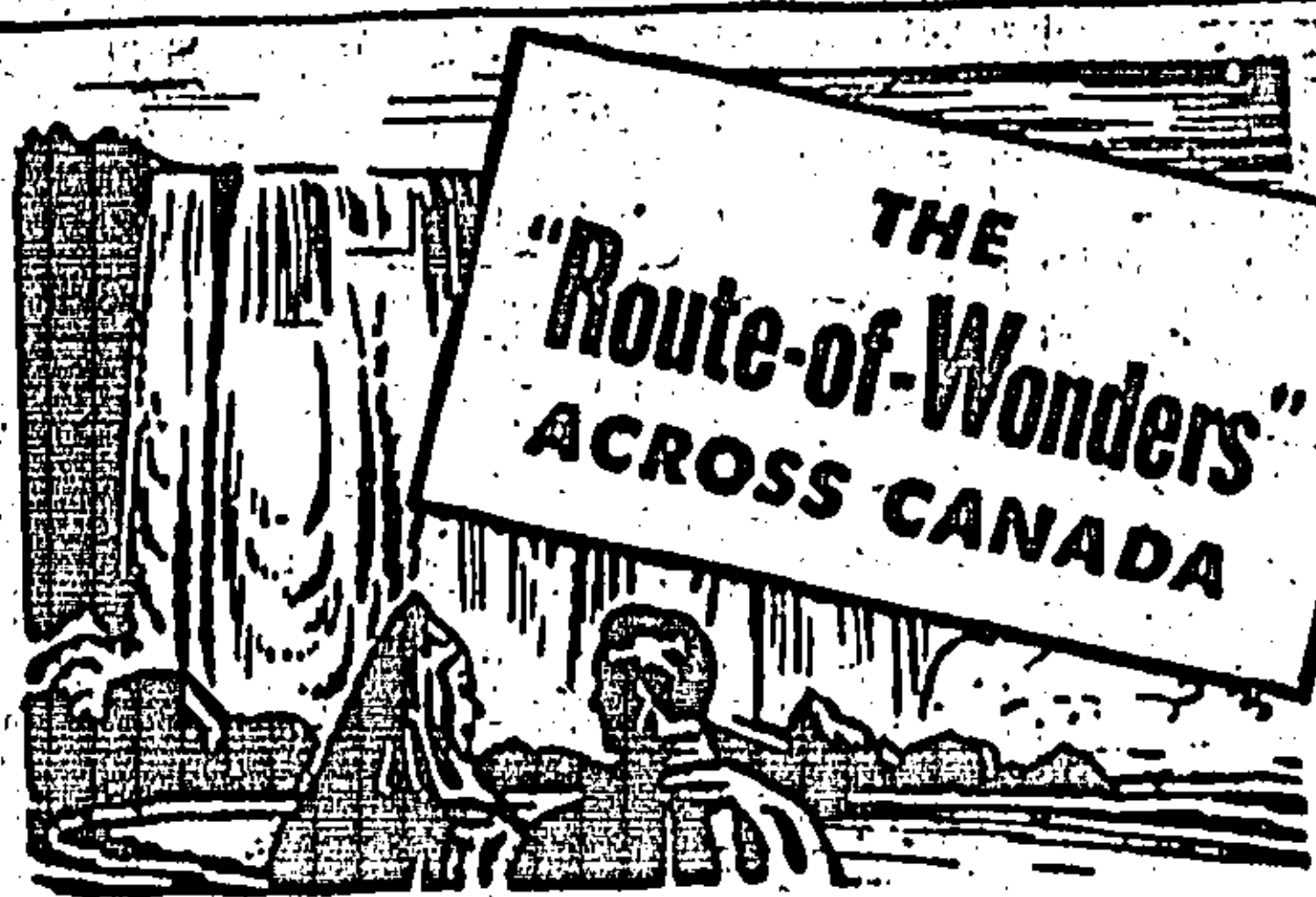
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Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra...George Eskdale (Trumpet) and Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Latest Vocal Variety.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Half an hour of Popular Classics.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—"The World Goes By". F. H. Driswood brings people to the microphone.

8.03 p.m.—Variety.

8.45 p.m.—Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Germany's Black Record—Past and Present". No. 5. Talk by Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to British Government.

9.45 p.m.—Leoncavallo's "I Pagliacci".

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SAW TWIN IF HOUSE GOES KILLED P.O. NEW ADDRESS

Trapped with his younger brother in a cart drawn by a runaway horse, a London boy was flung to death before the eyes of his twin sister.

The children had been evacuated for safety to their uncle's Cumberland farm.

Riding in the cart were Edwin Harrison Jeffrey, aged thirteen, and his brother Hugh, aged ten, sons of Mr. John Edwin Jeffrey, chemist and dentist, of King's Road, Chelsea, London.

The horse was led by a farm hand, Harold Dickinson. While passing along a cart track above an embankment the horse took fright and bolted.

Skull Fractured

Dickinson held on to the reins till he was pulled over the embankment. Then the horse and cart, with the two boys in it, rolled over and over.

The boys were thrown out and were found lying together half way down the embankment. Edwin was unconscious and died later from a fracture of the skull. Hugh had a fractured leg.

Walking behind the cart was Jean Caroline, Edwin's twin sister.

Dickinson told the coroner at the inquest at Brampton, Cumberland, "I can give no reason why the horse took fright."

Mr. Harry Mason, the boy's uncle, said: "The cart had rubber tyres which were inclined to be slippery. You never know what will happen with boys in a cart."

The coroner recorded a verdict that Edwin Jeffrey was accidentally killed through the overturning of a cart.

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF JAPANESE

A crushing defeat, involving over 20,000 casualties, was inflicted on Japanese troops who carried out an attack in northern Hupeh province, in central China, last week, according to an official despatch received yesterday by the Chinese Embassy in London.

The despatch adds Chinese troops captured Chennankwan, in Kwangtung, last Saturday.

"Enemy elements withdrew into Tongking, Indo-China," it concludes.—Reuter.

SCRAPS OF paper pinned to the wrecked doorways of bombed homes show how out of date London street directories are these days. The notes tell postmen and tradesmen that Mrs. Brown has moved to No. 17 in the next street, or that Mr. Jones wants his correspondence delivered to a district miles away.

Some postmen have been doing the re-delivery themselves when the new address has been on or near their round, but usually they make a note of the address and hand the letters back at the sorting office.

BANNED USE OF SHELTER

People using what they understood was a public shelter found themselves locked out of the shelter when an alarm sounded recently and were told that they cannot use it any more.

The shelter is in a field behind Shepphouse Lane School, New Malden, Surrey. People have been told now that it is only for children attending the school and must be kept locked after school hours.

There is another shelter near—under a railway bridge—but people prefer the school shelter, which holds 350 people compared with fifty under the bridge. Next nearest public shelter is nearly 500 yards away.

"We have never used the shelter during the daytime," Mrs. Carson, of Gainsborough Road, New Malden, told a reporter, because it was wanted for the children at school.

"We Pay Rates"

"We will not go to the shelter under the railway because we feel it is dangerous."

"We have to pay for these shelters through the rates and we feel we are entitled to use them. I am collecting the names of people who want to use the shelters and we are sending a petition to the Surrey County Council."

A Malden A.R.P. official said that this was not a public shelter.

"People whose income is below the prescribed limit have been offered Anderson shelters. Those with incomes above the limit are supposed to provide their own shelters."

The G.P.O. has issued instructions which will meet this problem and remove the danger of abuse of this unofficial delivery system.

People who remain temporarily near their old home after it has been made uninhabitable, should ask the local post office where they can collect their correspondence.

Special Card

Those who move to other districts, leaving their former homes unoccupied, should apply at any post office for a redirection card as soon as they have a permanent address.

The card, P.2216.B, has been specially produced for this emergency. It should be used also by people remaining in their original neighbourhood if they have taken up new quarters on a fairly permanent basis.

Telephone subscribers should put their old numbers on this card. This will help post office records and may make it possible for telephone calls to be redirected.

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H.K. Docks (Old) \$16½ b.

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H.K. Realities \$3½ b., \$3.45 sa.

PUBLIC UTILITIES—H.K. Tramways \$17 b., \$17½ s., \$17 sa.

Yau-mati Ferries \$22½ b.

China Lights (Old) \$7.10 b., C.D.

China Lights (New) \$6.70 b., C.D.

H.K. Electrics (Old) \$38½ b.

H.K. Electrics (New) \$38 b.

Sandakan Lights \$11 b., \$11½ s.

Telephones (Old) \$24½ b.

Telephones (New) \$10 b., \$10 sa.

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DULL SESSION ON STOCK EXCHANGE

In the absence of any incentive to stimulate fresh buying interest the London Stock Exchange yesterday experienced a dull session. Gilt-edged, however, continued to meet support and oils, where changed, moved in holders' favour. Industrials were heavy, especially Store shares, which were adversely affected by rationing considerations. Wall Street was irregular.—Reuter.

PRINTERS' SABOTAGE

A gambling house advertisement in yesterday's issue of the "Central China Daily News," Wang Ching-wei's mouthpiece in Shanghai, containing the slogan "Down with the Traitor Wang Ching-wei" is believed to be a piece of sabotage by the printers, says a Shanghai dispatch.

The editorial staff did not discover the joke until the afternoon. When investigation was made, they found the printers had disappeared.—Central News.

INEVITABLE TRUE BLUE SUCCESS

True Blue (Lieut. K. A. Watson) won the Sweepstake Race of the Royal H.K. Yacht Club sailed yesterday.

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(M. S. Banner).

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(Miss B. M. Richards).

Wedgeon, Y5 16.53.31 16.53.31 5

(Major J. H. Brown).

Petrel, A17 15.54.42 16.54.42 6

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"Y" BEAT R.A.F. AT BILLIARDS

The following was the result of a friendly Billiards match played last night between the R.A.F. and the European Y.M.C.A. at the Y.M.C.A.

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CRICKET NOTES

I.R.C. WITHOUT MINU NO MATCH FOR RECREIO

Gegg And Oh Save University From Certain Defeat Century Stand By Lawrence & Knight

By "Adrem"

THE WEATHER ON SATURDAY WAS IDEAL FOR CRICKET AND WICKETS GENERALLY FAVOURED BATSMEN. NEVERTHELESS SCORES WERE NOT UNDULY HIGH EXCEPT IN THE MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN ARMY AND HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB, WHERE BATSMEN ON BOTH SIDES LED THE BOWLERS A MERRY DANCE.

Baxter's all-round form at Pokfulum and a fine comeback by veteran J. L. Youngsaye were the chief features of Junior matches. Baxter made 78 runs and then polished off the University innings when things were looking pretty grim for K.C.C., while Youngsaye made his first half-century for more years than I can trace in the records!

In a low-scoring match at King's Park, Recreio had much the better of their meeting with the Indians who were, however, not at full strength. A. R. Minu, their opening bowler, preferred an afternoon at the Races, while M. el Arculli, their vice-captain, was otherwise engaged.

H. L. Ozorio, who struck a good length and took 7 for 32, together with A. V. Gosano (30) and Willie Reed (27), were mainly responsible for the home team's win, but of that more anon.

Madar's Guile

The Gosano brothers, "L.G." and Zinho, started the innings for Recreio and looked like settling down to a big partnership when the former was bowled by Khassa Nazarin. It was a good ball which came back a little.

Eddie Soares filled the vacancy but was trapped by A. H. Madar, who signalled his younger brother, "M.P.", to close in for a catch—and sure enough the catch came. Zinho then got tied up in a knot! He could not undo himself in time and was not only l.b.w., but to save the umpire any unnecessary thinking, sat on his wicket as well.

A procession followed until Reed and A. V. Gosano got together. In the meantime Madar was sending down some really good stuff but he did not have much luck as he was time and again just taking the paint off the sticks without causing the balls to fall.

As usual Reed sat on the spine, though anything short of a length received the treatment it deserved, namely a very solid punch to square leg.

Gosano indulged in some big hitting but was too prone to sky the ball in his attempts to clear the boundary. He paid the full penalty when Madar changed over from the Pavilion End to the C.B.A. End in order to bowl with a longer boundary behind him, and was well taken by Esmail. The remainder of the batsmen did nothing of note.

Early Disaster

Early disaster marked the I.R.C. innings. Harry Esmail was bowled by Ozorio for a blob and A. H. Madar, who joined Ismail, was sent back—bowled first ball by Ozorio. Nazarin came in but only managed to stop the "hat-trick" for he was caught off the same bowler two balls later.

M. P. Madar, who is really a better batsman than most people think, played the bowling very confidently and managed to stem the rot, together with S. A. Ismail, for a while.

After the latter was out A. H. Rumjahn shaped very well until he hit one, very hard, back to the bowler and for some reason or other started to run, to be sent back, and run out. Then K. M. Rumjahn stuck for 22. His maul, at best, he described as a useful but unorthodox innings. The remaining wickets fell without

much alteration to the score sheet. The Indians were one short.

Ozorio's Bowling

Ozorio, who opened the bowling for Recreio, kept a good length but that was about all. He did not make the ball turn as much as usual and, without trying to belittle his effort, it was due more to bad batting than good bowling that he returned the analysis of 9.4-2-32-7.

Albert Rodrigues made one of his all too rare appearances for Recreio seniors but only made one run when he was caught in the gully by A. H. Rumjahn. It was a brilliant catch—left-handed, and taken very low down when the ball was travelling fast.

K.C.C. Baulked

Kowloon Cricket Club scored 171 for 6 against University and although they were once in a commanding position and appeared certain to win, a fine stand between W. S. Gegg and K. S. Oh robbed them of an outright decision.

Anderson, opening for K.C.C., played a typical innings and hit eight boundaries in his 60. He was associated with Francis Lay in a partnership of 88, the latter completely dominating the scoring during this period.

I suppose one might term Lay's innings a valuable one, but for his own good I feel a word of advice is necessary. It is all very well to score quickly—conditions under which the game is played in Hong Kong demand it—but it is another thing for a No. 3 batsman to go in, after a wicket has fallen for only four runs, and hit indiscriminately. That is what Lay did. Most of his shots, including his square-cut, were lofted and it is not surprising that he was given a number of lives.

I was very glad that Rapley came off. A batsman who always looks like a batsman but rarely makes runs, describes Rapley fairly accurately. He, too, played dashing cricket and secured a number of his runs with that wristy leg sweep at which he is so adept.

University bowling was not impressive and the fielding, although from brilliant, was extremely keen.

Gegg And Oh Save Undergrads

Gegg and K. S. Oh alone saved University from crushing defeat, both batting really well at a difficult time. Gegg, who normally likes to hit them, was as restrained as the occasion demanded and he was at the wicket for half an hour before he scored. Oh batted really well and was good value for his 24 not out. Although had Rapley, at cover, held a chance but up before he had scored. K.C.C. must have won. Rapley could not be blamed for the error, however, as he had the sun slap

K.C.C. SELECTIONS FOR WEEK-END

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in week-end cricket matches:—

First XI (v C.S.C.C., away) — E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, F. J. Lay, D. Hung, W. L. Rapley and R. T. Broadbridge. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

Second XI (v C.S.C.C., home) — S. A. Gray (Capt.), E. L. Curtis, L. R. Burch, R. J. Fenton, H. Brokenshire, B. D. Lay, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, G. Giffen, P. Crabb and J. W. Bartram. Twelfth Man: E. T. Lawrence.

Sunday's Game

Following will represent Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly match against Army, starting at 11 a.m. on Sunday:—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. Hung, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, N. A. E. Mackay, W. L. Rapley, S. A. Gray, E. L. Curtis. Twelfth Man: K. M. Baxter. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

in his eyes and could not possibly have seen the ball. Lloyd bowled well enough to take 6 for 20 but he was not nearly as impressive as his analysis would suggest. Francis Zimmern was right off and Lee's three overs merely had the effect of playing Gegg and Oh in.

Batsmen In Command

Bowlers had a sorry time in the match at Sookunpoo between Army and Hong Kong Cricket Club. Army batsmen were in great form and ran up 163 for only two wickets. Finch went quickly but Logan and Alec Pearce then made merry at the expense of the limited Club attack, and Webb followed this up, after Pearce had been dismissed, with a breezy 37 not out. Logan played a typical innings and was sound without being brilliant, while Pearce and Webb did pretty much as they liked.

Knight and Lawrence gave Club an excellent start and 113 runs were on the board before the first wicket fell. Knight batted correctly for his 49 and Lawrence, evidently disoriented from the Army team, showed his paces with a characteristically hard-hit knock of 63.

When Club batsmen came in with the idea of scoring runs or getting out Tropp got among the wickets to take 5 for 39 but by this time there was little chance of a decision one way or the other.

Baker Bowls Well

Combined Small Units batsmen found run-getting a bit of a struggle against Civil Service and after they had lost 6 for 34 Goss and Dobbinson took part in a stand which enabled them to total 110 for 7, at which stage it was then so late that they were forced to declare.

Baker bowled as well as he has done this season and took four cheap wickets but no other Civil Service bowler met with very much success.

With Attwell, Perry and Hollidge all making useful scores, Civil Service won with seven wickets to spare and then went on to total 140 for 4.

A cricket match between the European Y.M.C.A. and the Civil Service Club will be played on the Civil Service Club ground on Dec. 22. The Y.M.C.A. team has not yet been selected.

BRILLIANT INNINGS BY J. L. YOUNGSAYE

By "Adrem"

FEATURE OF THE junior match between Diosesan Boys' School and Craigengower Cricket Club at Happy Valley was a brilliant half-century by J. L. Youngsaye, who found his best form after a long spell of indifference.

Scoring brilliantly all round the wicket, Youngsaye played an innings reminiscent of him at his best and his 22 not out was only marred by one or two "upish" shots which went dangerously near gully.

He was not very well supported by the School's batsmen, however, and only Whitfield and Randall gave him any material assistance.

Craigengower's early batsmen all made a few, and Archie Hung, who cracked a couple of good fours in his first over, appeared likely to repeat his hurricane innings of the previous week, when he scored 100 in his better ones got through his defence.

Leonard made an auspicious start to his season and scored a typical 31 in his first match but, although there were a number of double-figure scores, extras was the next highest scorer with 28.

The School bowling, apart from Hulse, was not impressive and their fielding was not as good as that expected from a youthful side.

Fergus Again

Fergus, who did little last season worthy of mention, is obviously in splendid form with the ball this year and his recent performances have had a great deal to do with the successes achieved by the Royal Scots.

Following his 7 for 22 against the Police, he proved much too good for H.K.C.C. batsmen at Chater Road and finished up with 6 for 18 in 7.5 overs—a splendid achievement against a side that was far from weak in batting.

ARMY RUGBY XV

The following have been selected to represent the Army v. Police in the Quadrangular Tournament at Sookunpoo on Saturday, December 7 at 4 p.m.:

A. N. Other, Sgt. Richards, Capt. Douglass, Lt. Coombes, Pte. McDonald, Capt. Hook, 2/Lt. Wedderburn, Cpl. Sutherland, 2/Lt. Ford, 2/Lt. B. mpas, 2/Lt. Heath, Capt. Duke, Cpl. Gillam, 2/Lt. Millar, 2/Lt. Pinkerton.

Reserves:—2/Lt. Clague, Capt. Skipwith, Pte. Berry, L/c. Foley. Douglass is back in the three-quarter line, thus allowing Richards to play on the wing, but Marsh is still an absentee and has been replaced by Macdonald. Cuthbertson, who is in hospital, will be unavailable, and his place in the second row has been given to Heath. Millar and Duke have changed places to give better balance to the pack, and Clague appears to have been dropped from the full-back position.

Despite this reshuffle, Army should win by a big margin.

Club Seven-A-Side Rugby Game

Club "A" did not play their usual mid-week Rugby match yesterday, Army failing to produce a side.

Club players, however, took part in a seven-a-side game, feature of which was the good spirit shown.

ARMY HOCKEY

In the first round of the Large Units Hockey League, Middlesex yesterday beat Engineers by 4-1 at Shamshulpo. Scorers for the winners were Hymas (3) and Sheehan.

Gahagan made 24 for Club and Armstrong, who as far as I can recollect was playing in his first game of the season, made 29. Bishop was the only other double-figure scorer.

Scots made light of the task of scoring 92 and these were knocked off for the loss of Godby's wicket, Alesy making a dour 33 and Bateman hitting hard for 70, which included 12 fours.

Baxter's Brilliant Spell

At one period during the game at Pokfulum between K.C.C. and University, the latter team appeared to be well on the way to victory.

Baxter then had an inspired spell with the ball and took four wickets in the course of 2.5 overs to win the game for the Kowloon team.

Baxter also top-scored for K.C.C., batting soundly for his 78 runs, Gray, the captain, being next best with 28.

Ooi, Chelliah, N. Singh and Aziz Ahmed gave University a good start and they were within striking distance when Baxter found his spot. Lay bowled steadily for Kowloon to take 5 for 28.

Recreio Save Game

Thanks to a fine half-century by A. R. Suffad, and useful scores by Curream, A. el Arculli and A. H. Ismail, I.R.C. were able to declare against Recreio at 152 for 7. Recreio had a bit of a struggle against the bowling of M. R. Abbas but they managed to play out time. M. A. Remedios and F. J. Remedios doing well with the bat.

Fine bowling by Carey, coupled with poor batting by Civil Service, saw Police beat C.S.C.C. on the Police ground. The custodians of the law did little better with the bat than their opponents but Clarke saved the side with a fine 39 not out.

Baker made a welcome re-appearance to the Police team and took 2 for 18.

NURSES GOLF COMPETITION

A Tombstone Competition for golfing members of the V.A.D. and A.N.S. is being held at Fanling (New Course) on Tuesday, Dec. 17, for which Mrs. A. V. Greaves is presenting a prize. Draw for partners will be made at the Ladies Club House at 11.30 a.m.

Tea will be served at 4.45 p.m., when the prize will be presented. Will those members of the A.N.S. wishing to play, please send in their names to Mrs. Valentine, Hon. Sec. A.N.S. Queen Mary Hospital.

FRIENDLY BOWLS GAME

A friendly bowls game between Bowlers and Cricketers of the Civil Service Cricket Club has been arranged for Sunday, at 10 a.m.

The Bowlers will be represented by the following:—T. Gellatly, A. B. Allard, J. W. Deakins, M. N. Rakusen (Skip), E. Kirmon, M. Scott, J. M. Purvis, J. Hollidge (Skip), J. R. Carr, W. G. Gardner, V. S. Ebbage, S. Ecceshall (Skip).

BADMINTON LEAGUE FIXTURES

Following are Badminton League fixtures for the current season—

"A" DIVISION

Monday, December 9	University "B" v Recrelo
Monday, December 16	Chinese "Y" v University "A"
Monday, December 23	University "B" v Chi / sc "Y"
Monday, January 6	Recrelo v University "A"
Monday, January 13	University "A" v University "B"
Monday, January 20	Chinese "Y" v Recrelo
Monday, February 3	Recrelo v University "B"
Monday, February 10	University "A" v Chinese "Y"
Monday, February 17	Chinese "Y" v University "B"
Monday, February 24	University "A" v Recrelo
Monday, February 24	University "B" v Chinese "Y"

"B" DIVISION

Wednesday, December 11	V.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, December 18	Chung Wah v Recrelo
Wednesday, December 18	K.C.C. v Police
Wednesday, December 18	Kowloon Tong v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, January 9	J.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, January 9	V.R.C. v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 9	St. John's v Police
Wednesday, January 9	K.C.C. v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 16	Recrelo v J.R.C.
Wednesday, January 16	King's College v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 16	St. John's v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, January 16	Police v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 23	J.R.C. v V.R.C.
Wednesday, January 23	Recrelo v King's College
Wednesday, January 23	St. John's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, January 23	St. Andrew's v Police
Wednesday, February 5	King's College v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 5	Recrelo v Chung Wah
Wednesday, February 5	Police v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 5	St. Andrew's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 12	King's College v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Chung Wah v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Police v St. John's
Wednesday, February 12	Kowloon Tong v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 19	J.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 19	Chung Wah v King's College
Wednesday, February 19	St. John's v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, February 19	Kowloon Tong v Police
Wednesday, February 26	Chung Wah v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 26	V.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 26	St. John's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 26	K.C.C. v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, March 5	V.R.C. v J.R.C.
Wednesday, March 5	King's College v Recrelo
Wednesday, March 5	K.C.C. v St. John's
Wednesday, March 5	Police v St. Andrew's

First two fixtures of each batch represent "A" section, the last two "B" section.

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There will be an exhibition badminton match at Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 7.30 this evening between Patriotic H. Wong, the Colony champion, and G. Au.

Reynolds' Splendid Display In The Ordnance Goal

ADAMS ALSO DOES WELL

AT SOOKUNPOO YESTERDAY Service Corps took the lead in Second Division of Hong Kong Football League when they beat Ordnance by 5 clear goals in their postponed game.

In this game Reynolds again distinguished himself and gave a brilliant exhibition of goal-keeping and, though beaten five times, he must have saved twice that number, his positioning, clean play and coolness under pressure being marked features of his game. It seems rather strange that this player has so far been given little recognition in local representative games both by the Army and Association. Adams at right back for Ordnance was another player to shine.

he was everywhere when needed and by his strong kicking cleared his line often. Russell his partner gave him valuable help in the pivotal position, and Stephens was also outstanding.

The Ordnance forward-line did not combine well and were very poor in front of goal; they had many opportunities of scoring but failed.

Emberson and Duffield were the best players and both worked very hard. For Service Corps, Glen on the

right wing was very prominent with his centres, and was always a danger to the Ordnance. Clark and Morgan were also good but Weir and Martin were only prominent in the later stages of the game. Murray at fullback kicked well, while Young in the centre-half berth was also good.

Glen scored in the first half and in the second half Glen, Clark (2), Martin scored the other goals.

Service Corps:—Mattison, Murray and Hamblin; Smart, Young and Hammond; Glen, Morgan, Clark, Weir and Martin.

Ordnance:—Reynolds; Adams and Russell; Jones, Stephens and Harding; Harland, Emberson, Mandell, Wright and Duffield.

MATCH POSTPONED

Cwing to Volunteer Camp the Third Division football match between the A.S.A. and R.E. scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 8, has been postponed.

F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

The following is the agenda of the Council meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association which will be held at the Association's office on Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 5.30 p.m.

Minutes of Council meeting No. 5; of League Management Committee meeting No. 7; of Emergency Sub-Committee meeting No. 3.

Accounts.
Draw of 1st round "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competition. Selecting grounds.

Draw of Senior and Junior Shield.

Correspondence.
Any other business.

K.C.C. TENNIS

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (40) beat E. Zulauf and W. O'Neill (15) 6-2, 4-6, 6-4 yesterday in the quarter-finals of Kowloon Cricket Club's handicap men's doubles tournament.



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TROUBLED NAZI WATERS

R.A.F. Attacks On Oil Stores And Refineries

GIVE BRITAIN ALL MONEY THEY WANT--MR. FORD

Mr. Henry Ford, in an interview in Detroit yesterday, said that if Britain needed money he was in favour of "giving them all they want."

Mr. Ford added: "It will end the war in a hurry. We did it before and might as well do it again." — Reuter.

ITALIAN 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

Further R.A.F. successes over Albania were announced in Cairo yesterday.

Reports received confirm that in addition to two aircraft destroyed by R.A.F. fighters and bombers formations in Albania on Monday, two other enemy aircraft were also destroyed.

In Italian East Africa, Kassala was heavily bombed. Bombs were dropped on enemy fortified positions and a motor transport park was straddled. British aircraft also machine-gunned transport and enemy personnel. — Reuter.

Vital Factor In Result Of War

IF GERMANY RUNS short of oil she must stop fighting. It is with this belief uppermost in mind that the R.A.F. shapes its operations. And the R.A.F. know a trick worth two of bombing oil wells.

What this trick is was explained, among other things, by the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hugh Dalton, at a press conference in London yesterday.

The British blockade, said Mr. Dalton, is working well and the enemy is growing uncomfortably short of certain commodities.

Oil, rubber and copper looted by Germany from occupied territories is now exhausted and Germany is back where she was six months ago.

The safety margin of oil in Germany has not yet been touched but she is using more oil than she is producing as a result of R.A.F. attacks on supplies, storage and the transport system, and disappointing supplies are obtained from Russia. Mr. Dalton said he recommended targets in Germany to the Air Ministry and always kept oil near the head of the list.

Italian Target No. 1

In Italy, Bari had always been the R.A.F.'s number one target, which was economically more important than Milan or Turin, as the most important oil stocks in all Italy were kept there.

Speaking of the difficulty of transporting the Rumanian oil surplus to Germany, Mr. Dalton

said that as crude oil was not very inflammable, it was nonsense to suggest bombing the Rumanian oil wells.

Rather wait until Germany had spent labour and time refining and transporting it, and then bomb it.

Italy First

Italy would feel the pinch even before Germany, said Mr. Dalton, because she had no synthetic oil plant and there was little doubt her supplies were growing short and she had to get replenishment from Germany.

Mr. Dalton would like to see increasing mobilisation of the reserves of United States production set aside for Britain and the Allies, and added: "There has been an exchange of views with the United States on the matter." — Reuter.

U.S. AIRCRAFT AROUSE R.A.F. ENTHUSIASM

An American-built aircraft took the photographs of damaged Italian warships at Taranto.

This was officially disclosed last night in a story which stated that the R.A.F. are enthusiastic about the performance of United States aircraft they are now using.

These have fought their way successfully through many operations, particularly in the Middle East.

It is stated the R.A.F. have come to regard with real affection the Lockheed Hudsons, which are proving such a valuable aid to Britain's Coastal Command, and have taken part in hundreds of bombing raids from Norway to the Bay of Biscay. — Reuter.

DEATH SENTENCES

NINE POLES HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH AT POZNAN, IN GERMAN-OCCUPIED POLAND, THE GERMAN WIRELESS STATED YESTERDAY.

With 29 others they were charged with committing acts of violence against the Germans.

The remainder were sentenced to long terms of hard labour and imprisonment. — Reuter.

PATROLS ACTIVE ROUND KASSALA

British patrols were again active to the north and south of Kassala inflicting casualties on the enemy without loss to themselves, stated yesterday's G.H.Q. communique in Cairo.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts, adds the communique. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Close on the heels of America's recent US\$100,000,000 loan to China the British Government is reported to be considering a £6,000,000 credit to China, according to Chinese press despatches in Shanghai this morning.

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The Chinese press in Shanghai reports to-day that the Chinese High Command is feverishly preparing for a large-scale general counter-offensive next Spring.

More than 500 trucks recently arrived from America are now stated to be rushing military supplies to the northern and southern fronts.

Every effort is being made to provide the Chinese forces in all areas with adequate quantities of war material. — Reuter.

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Greeks Pouring Through Gap In Fascist Lines

Pacific Security Negotiations

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declined, when questioned in the House of Commons yesterday, to reveal details of the recent conversations in Washington between the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, and the British Ambassador, Lord Lothian, on Pacific security.

Mr. Butler merely stated that Britain is keeping the closest possible contact with the United States on all questions of mutual interest in the Far East, including naval and similar defence matters.—International News Service.

Capture Of Three Towns Imminent

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A GENERAL ITALIAN retreat from the principal south Albanian strongholds of Santi Quaranta, Argyrokastron and Premeti was reported in Athens last night, with the Greeks threatening the imminent capture of all three towns.

In the northern sector the Greeks have reached the Shkumbi River in a double-pronged offensive which is gravely menacing Elbasan, gateway to Tirana.

First serious threat to Tirana developed during a day of violent fighting in a heavy snowstorm, in which the Greeks crushed desperate Italian resistance and are reported to have opened a gap in the Italian lines west of Podgradetz.

PARALLEL POLICY IN FAR EAST

"The questioner can rest assured that His Majesty's Government maintain close contact with the United States Government in all matters of common interest."

This was the reply of Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday to a query by Mr. Robert Morgan (Cons.) inviting a joint Anglo-American declaration in opposition to the so-called new order. Japan is trying to introduce in China and the whole Pacific.

Replying to Sir Robert Gower (Cons.), who invited a statement on Britain's policy towards the Nanking puppet regime, Mr. Butler said the Government had repeatedly made known their attitude, which is to continue to recognise the National Government in Chungking as the Government of China.—Reuter.

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RICE PRICES FIXED

Government is to-day fixing the retail prices of rice in the Colony, under a Food Controller's Order.

Effect of the action decided upon is to reduce sharply the retail prices of the different grades of rice from the rising levels reached on Tuesday.

Maximum prices have been fixed as follows:—

Brand.	Standard Price.
Grade No. 1 ..	.15 per catty.
Grade No. 2 ..	.15 per catty.
	.71 for 5 catties.
Grade No. 3 ..	.14 per catty.
	.68 for 5 catties.
Broken	.12 per catty.
	.58 for 5 catties.

Temporary Measure

With reference to the Government decision, it is officially announced that it is hoped that the measures for the limitation of retail prices of rice are purely temporary, in view of the attempted raising of the wholesale price to an unwarrantable level by suppliers abroad.

Export Prohibited

With a view to conservation of adequate stocks here the export of rice from the Colony is being prohibited meanwhile.

Chinese press reports this morning state that over 60,000 bags of rice are expected to arrive in the Colony in four ships from Bangkok to-day.

24-HOURS-A-DAY SPEED-UP IN U.S. WAR INDUSTRY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

AMERICAN INDUSTRY should embark immediately on a "wartime 24-hour operating schedule" to speed arms production for the United States and Britain, Senator George, Chairman of the powerful Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared in Washington yesterday.

Senator George made this suggestion shortly after three members of the Cabinet disclosed that the U.S. Government is seriously studying the British need for increased war aid.

ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY SLIGHT

Enemy air activity over Britain yesterday was very slight.

Shortly after midday, according to an Air Ministry communique, bombs were dropped on Dover, doing some damage and causing a few casualties.

One enemy bomber was shot down over the Dutch coast by British fighters without loss to themselves.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—North-east winds, fresh; fine.

Outstanding developments as the capital weighs the increasing British need for ships, planes and munitions, were:—

The Secretary for Commerce and Federal Loan Administrator, Mr. Jesse Jones, declared the British Government is "a good risk" and favoured making loans.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull disclosed the Government is giving careful consideration to the British need for merchantmen.

British Finances

Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau's announcement that Sir Frederick Phillips, Under-Secretary in the British Treasury, has arrived in New York from London "to place latest available information" on British finances and war needs "before the United States Treasury," and

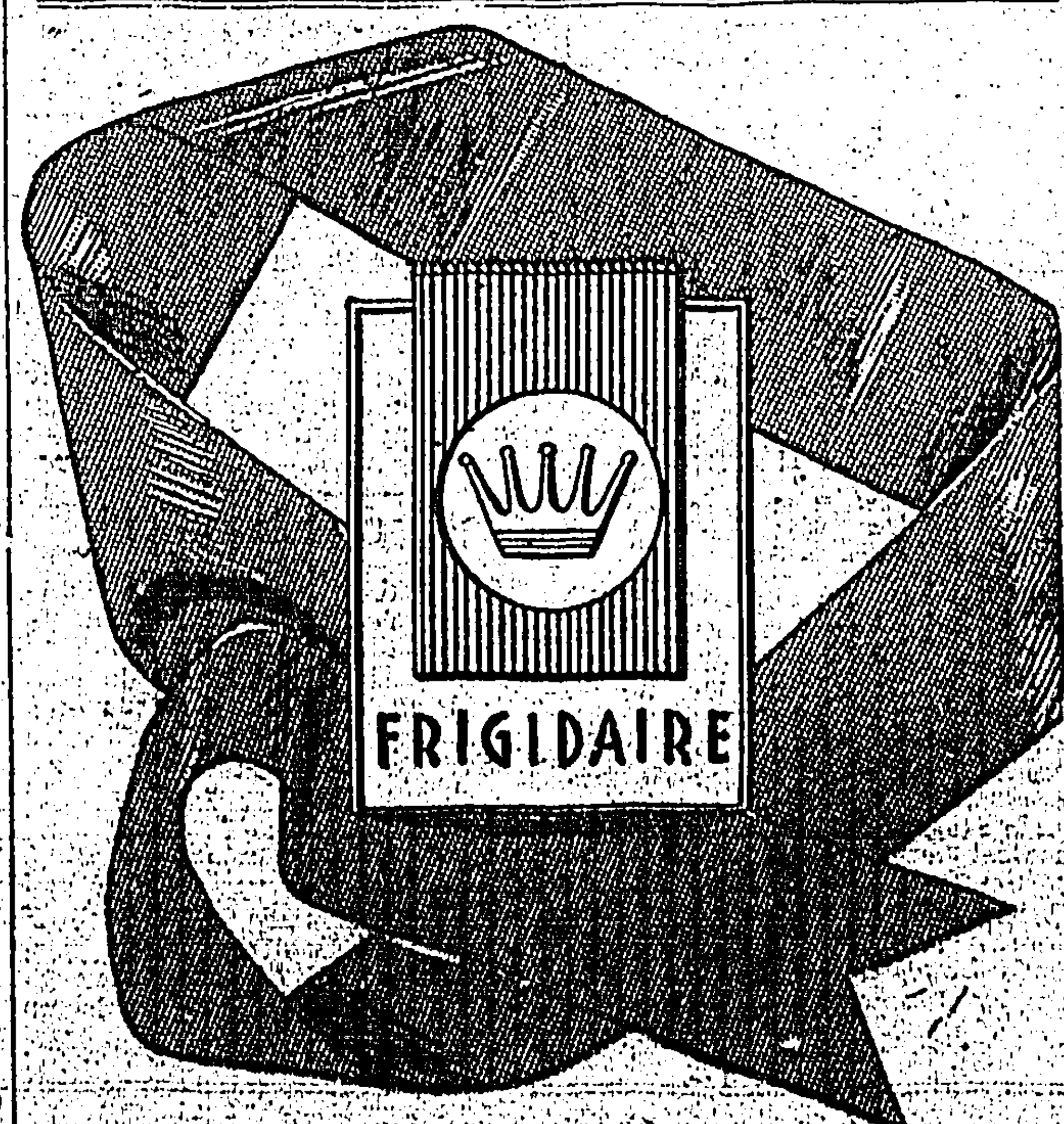
The Maritime Commission's disclosure that it has approved the transfer of 130 freighters to Britain since war began and that 63 idle ships are available if Britain desires to buy.—International News Service.

The Greeks are said to have annihilated two of the finest Italian regiments before pouring through the gap, establishing bridgeheads near the headwaters of the Shkumbi, which flows parallel to the highway to Elbasan, 40 miles to the west.

It is understood that in the south coastal sector the Greeks, after a daylong combat, are within a few hundred yards of encircling the seaport. The city's fall is expected at any moment.—International News Service.

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Britain's Gastronomic Life Little Affected By Rations

Meaning Of The New Restrictions

(By Reuter's Chief Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE BRITISH FOOD MINISTER'S DECISION TO LIMIT THE QUANTITIES OF CERTAIN RATIONED FOODS AND TO BAN ENTIRELY THE IMPORTATION OF FRUITS OTHER THAN ORANGES, IS THE SUBJECT FOR GLOATING ON THE PART OF THE ITALIAN PROPAGANDA SERVICE.

Naming Bombed Cities

Both the Minister of Information and the Under-Secretary for Air answered questions in the Commons yesterday regarding the Government policy to publish or withhold news of British places bombed by the Germans.

The Under-Secretary for Air said: "The general policy is to publish names of places bombed if in any particular case this can be done without conveying information of value to the enemy. In accordance with this policy the name of Coventry was released while the names of other localities were not.

I am fully aware of the desirability of giving early information to the public as to the results of air raids on this country and counteracting the grossly exaggerated claims made in enemy communiques.

These are often deliberately framed to tempt us by contradictory comment to inform the enemy of the success or failure of his operations.

No Undertaking

I cannot therefore give any complete undertaking that immediate and detailed public disclosure will be made in any case where it is considered that this would convey information of value to the enemy which he is anxious to obtain."

The Minister of Information said no indication was given to the press regarding the importance of the Coventry attack. "They are quite capable of forming any estimate of the importance of an event."—British Wireless.

HUI TIEN HOSPITAL APPEAL

An appeal for support of the campaign launched recently in aid of the Hui Tien Hospital, Kunning, was made by Dr. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador to Soviet Russia, at a dinner of the St. John's University Alumni Association yesterday evening.

The hospital, the only British medical establishment on the Burma Road between Lashio and Chungking and the largest in Yunnan and Kweichow, was recently bombed and rendered useless by Japanese aircraft.

H.K. \$40,000 is now urgently required to build emergency accommodation of mud brick about 15 miles beyond Kunning to enable it to resume its work.

Dr. Yen revealed that two-thirds of the required fund have already been pledged by Hong Kong individuals and public or-

They interpret these measures in the light of their own situation and experience, and prophesy that Britain will soon be brought to her knees by the attempted blockade victoriously exercised by Germany.

They do not realise how very little effect the British system of rationing has really had upon the gastronomic life of Britain.

Except for butter, sugar, bacon and eggs, which are admittedly scarcer than before the war, the ordinary person has hardly noticed the effect of the food restriction policy.

Anybody can get a full meal in any restaurant without ration cards or coupons. Bread is abundant and excellent. Meat, except pork, is limited on the basis of price when bought from the butcher, but in restaurants meat as well as all other foods are only limited by the big appetite of the consumer.

Poultry Not Rationed

Game and poultry are not rationed at all. There is no lack of potatoes and green vegetables, though onions are scarce.

On the other hand there is no limit to groceries and tinned foods that are accessible to all purchasers.

In Italy, where four meatless days per week have already been legally ordered, it has now been found necessary to curtail the staple foods of the country, namely macaroni and rice.

In future Italians are restricted to two kilograms of either flour gluten (macaroni) or rice per month.

Seeing that a normal Italian would think nothing of facing a plate of half a pound of spaghetti or macaroni (a quarter of a kilo), it is obvious that this small ration will mean real privation.

Cold Comfort

Even the Italian newspapers realise the severity of the sacrifice but find comfort in pointing out that in Germany only half a kilo of rice or gluten is allowed per head per month, and even so is part of a general dietary of rations.

The facts about Britain's food position are patent to every foreigner living in England. Italian propaganda of wilful misrepresentation may help the Italian to bear his troubles more lightly but is not going to make the people any better pleased with the regime that is responsible for their privations.—Reuter.

YOUTH GAOLED

Charged with stealing of \$68.17, and Yen 48.78 from Dr. S. Hara, and with stealing \$20 from No. 20, Ashley Road, on Monday, Pok Ping, 17, was this morning sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsworth.

organisations. The Hong Kong Chinese Bankers Association, he said, has promised to contribute \$10,000, the Bank of China, \$5,000, while the Chinese Red Cross Society is to raise a handsome amount.

In view of the generous support to other worthy causes by the people in Hong Kong, Dr. Yen expressed the hope that a similar response will be made to the appeal of the Hui Tien Hospital so that the fund will be fully raised before long.

ITALIAN SPITFIRE DONATION

THE LATEST GIFT FOR "SPITFIRES" IS AN UNUSUAL ONE — IT COMES FROM THE ITALIANS THEMSELVES!

In recent raids on enemy positions in Africa, soldiers of the Gold Coast Brigade found some lira which the Italians had left behind.

This money has now been sent to a "Spitfire" fund.

Other gifts include the purchase price of three "Spitfires" from a Newfoundland fund.

The British community in the Argentine has sent £25,000 for the purchase of aircraft for the Fleet Air Arm.

In Trinidad, an excess profits tax is to be imposed on companies so that more monetary aid can be sent to Britain.

This tax, says the Governor of Trinidad, will be used to increase contributions to the British Government's special naval and military services from £239,000 to £260,000 a year, and to make a further special gift of £52,000 to Britain.

The Mysore War Fund has sent £1,500 to the Lord Mayor of London's air-raid distress fund.—Reuter.

NINE MONTHS FOR BOGUS P. C.

Sentences totalling nine months' hard labour were imposed by Mr. E. Himsworth this morning on Wong Kan, 23, for impersonating a police officer and for attempting to extort \$5 from a hawker. Accused arrested a hawker on the pretext that he was a police officer and asked for \$5 to let him go.

BICYCLE THIEF SENTENCED

A fine of \$10, or 14 days, was imposed by Major A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning on Wat Ping-chui, 21, for stealing a bicycle.

The bicycle was left outside No. 7, Saigon Street yesterday by a shop folk and accused rode it away. He was arrested on information.



Back in port, in peaceful surroundings once more, sailors chat over their adventures as another day draws to a close. (Copyright, Fox).

HOW THE GERMANS BOMBED RAMSGATE

THIS IS THE STORY of how the Nazis destroyed nearly 1,000 shops and houses in Ramsgate, cited by Mr. Churchill when he contrasted German air-men's "wanton cruelty" with the R.A.F.'s policy of bombing only war targets.

WIRELESS OPERATOR FINED

The case in which Tam Kam-ku, wireless operator, was charged with unlawful possession of a wireless transmitter, was concluded before Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Police Court this morning when he was fined \$500, or 10 weeks' hard labour.

The Magistrate made an order that \$100 should be paid as reward to the informer, provided the fine he imposed was paid.

During the hearing, it was alleged that spare parts of the transmitter were found at No. 93, Prince Edward Road on October 10 during a raid. The transmitter was found to have been thrown into an alley.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, defending, submitted that the prosecution had produced only circumstantial evidence, which was consistent with accused's guilt or his innocence. Mr. Silva contended that his client was the victim of a trap by the informer, who handed the transmitter to accused's brother to deliver it to accused. After its delivery, and after accused had been on the premises for less than ten minutes, the police raided the house.

Mr. Silva urged that his client be given the benefit of the doubt.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, stated that the Postmaster-General asked that a very serious view of the case be taken.

On Saturday, August 24, a cloud of German bombers flew swiftly across the English Channel to Ramsgate.

They stayed three minutes. It was long enough to drop 500 bombs and blow to pieces nearly 1,000 humble homes and shops.

This is the full story, told for the first time, of the raid on Britain's most battered town, cited by Mr. Churchill last night as an example of the Nazi air-men's "wanton cruelty."

One House In Nine Hit

One house in every nine bore the marks of that raid.

Yet Ramsgate, once a happy holiday town, with its population reduced from 37,000 to 14,000, is not downhearted.

Those 14,000 intend to carry on "for the duration." They are amazed at the low number of casualties. In their three-minute raid they lost a few dead and injured. Several are still missing.

The town's miles of A.R.P. tunnels is sheltering 80 per cent. of the population.

Shopkeepers still offer their goods for sale. Three cinemas remain open.

No Rent Or Rates

Practically all the old people, children and mothers have left the town. Rent and rates are forgotten. There is no one to collect them.

Ramsgate had an average of three raids a day last week. When their homes are shattered the besieged people, as they regard themselves just salvage the belongings and move into one of the many deserted mansions.

Thirty-five cases of tuberculosis, three of dysentery and one each of diphtheria, measles and chicken-pox, were notified yesterday.

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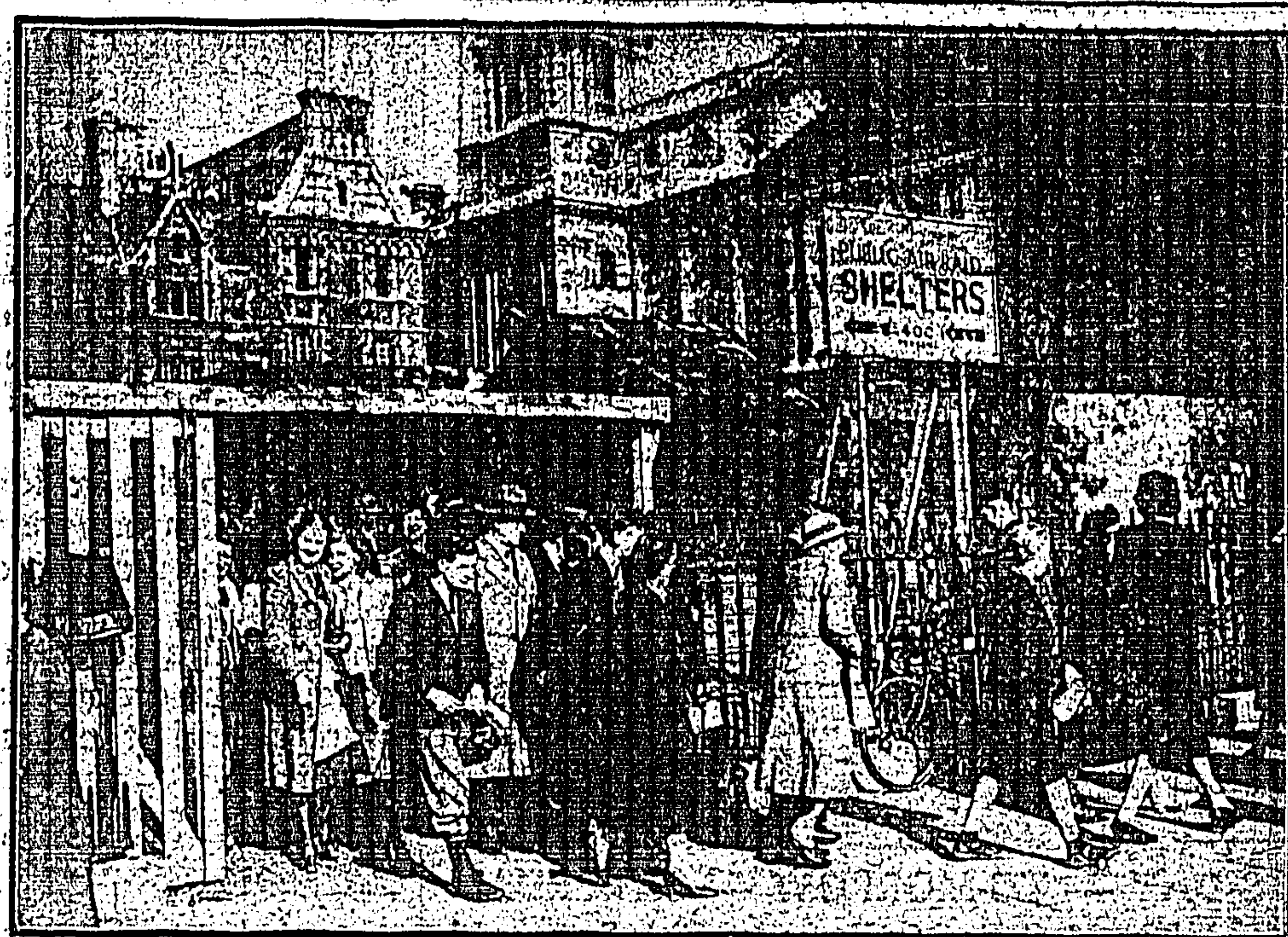
American Officials Confer In Washington

Financing Looming Prominently

IMPORTANT NEW AMERICAN MOVES TO HELP BRITAIN APPEARED IMMINENT YESTERDAY AS THE SECRETARIES OF AT LEAST THREE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS GAVE INDICATION THAT FURTHER AID IS UNDER IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce and Federal Loan Administrator, said in Washington yesterday that Britain is a "good risk."

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, revealed that Sir Frederick Phillips is arriving to meet Treasury officials.



EARLY MORNING AIR RAID WARNING IN LONDON—Photo shows workers leaving a public air raid shelter in London after the "All Clear" had been sounded. (Copyright, Fox).

U.S. LOAN TO BRITAIN MOOTED With Lien On Gold Output

A proposal was made a few days ago for a loan to Britain by the United States of \$625,000,000, with a lien on Empire gold production over the next five years as security, reports the "New York Herald-Tribune."

This proposal, says the paper, was made by Mr. Eccles, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank, at a private meeting last week of bankers, industrialists and economists.

Another report, as yet unconfirmed, says that the United States will shortly release thousands of tons of merchant shipping to Britain.

The United States Maritime Commission, which yesterday authorized the Black Diamond SS. Company to sell to Britain four cargo ships, is expected to offer 15 laid-up ships for sale to Britain in a few days. — Reuter.

PEIPING TENSION

A proclamation threatening "effective action" to crush lawlessness in Peiping was issued by the Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Army in North China yesterday.

This follows the assassination of a Japanese infantry colonel in the city's main street by an unknown Chinese on Saturday.

Since then tension in Peiping has been acute.

The proclamation states that various Japanese and Chinese organs will be used to suppress disorders. — Reuter.

Simultaneously Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told his press conference that the Government is giving consideration to all phases of the shipping question in connection with aid for Britain.

Observers had scented something in the air on Tuesday when a special conference was held which brought nine of the most important Government officials together.

Three similar extraordinary meetings have been called in recent months and it is notable that a major step to aid Britain followed quickly.

Financing Problem

The first meeting preceded the sale of destroyers — the second preceded facilities for Britain to increase air force orders by 12,000 planes — the third preceded the release of Flying Fortresses.

Britain's financing appeared to be the dominant subject of the latest conference, and Sir Frederick Phillips' visit to Washington is expected to help clarify the situation.

There has been some demand for information on Britain's exact status.

Britain Taking 60 Per Cent.

Manufacturers, for example, want to know whether it is financially safe to accept further orders and if the millions they have spent to handle British orders will be repaid.

Another source of concern has been the future of the American export trade if British resources are allowed to become exhausted.

The British Empire now takes 60 per cent. of United States exports and a sudden complete collapse of these would be a heavy blow to the American national economy. — Reuter.

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BRITAIN GETS HER 3,000TH

In the 14 months of the war, Britain and her Allies have together accounted for over 6,000 enemy planes. This figure does not include "possibles" or "probables."

To date, British anti-aircraft gunners have shot down over 400 enemy planes over Britain — 300 by day and over 100 by night.

The total number of enemy planes shot down over Britain is now 3,000. This total was reached on Monday when two Messerschmidts were shot down for the loss of only one British fighter, the pilot of which is safe.

This total does not include 25 enemy planes destroyed by the Royal Navy and the Fleet Air Arm around our coasts.

British losses over Britain total 850 planes — or more than a 3 to 1 victory. Better still, 116 pilots were saved to fly again — a victory of 7½ to 1.

Hitler's worst months were August, when 1,098 enemy planes were brought down, and September, when 1,071 German planes were snared out of the sky. — Reuter.

CHINESE PREPARING OFFENSIVE

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THAILAND AND INDO-CHINA COMMUNICATIONS SUSPENDED

The Indo-China authorities have announced that all cable and wireless communication between Indo-China and Thailand has been suspended except by cable via Singapore, according to a Japanese report from Hanoi yesterday. — Reuter.

RHINE LINK HEAVILY BOMBED

MANNHEIM AND LUDWIGSHAFEN, WHICH ARE LINKED ACROSS THE RHINE BY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT RHINE BRIDGES WHICH IS USED FOR RAIL, ROAD AND FOOT TRAFFIC, WERE ATTACKED BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON TUESDAY NIGHT, IN SPITE OF UNFAVOURABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

In both towns fires and explosions were observed.

The R.A.F. also attacked a blast furnace plant at Essen, while other formations bombed the Dunkirk invasion port.

Daytime attacks were made on aerodromes in German-occupied northern France on Tuesday. One British plane is missing. — Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains over China, Japan and the neighbouring seas, pressure being highest over Mongolia and Manchuria.

The typhoon is situated about 300 miles south-west of Manila, moving west.

IL DUCE'S DREAMS FADING

Britain has neglected nothing to ensure that Egypt's defences are impregnable, writes the editor of the Cairo newspaper "Al Misri," who has just returned from a tour of the Western Desert.

Mussolini, he writes, gave Marshal Graziani — his most able and experienced desert fighter — the task not only of securing Italian domination of Egypt but also of conquering the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

The strong defences of the British forces have caused this dream to melt away.

If in Albania Italy is already yielding under Greek blows, she will snap asunder in the Western Desert. — Reuter.

LAND TAX COLLECTION IN RICE

Collection of the Land Tax in rice instead of cash is expected to be enforced next year, according to the official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

The proposal, it states, was adopted in principle at the July meeting of the Supreme National Defence Council, while details were approved at a meeting of the Executive Yuan on Nov. 13, after which the Finance Ministry decided that the Land Tax for 1941 should be collected in rice.

The Chinese daily estimates that the total national Land Tax, including Japanese-occupied areas, is about \$200,000,000. According to the 1935 budget, Land Tax totalled 90,000,000 taels, or one-fifth of the total national revenue. — Reuter.

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BRITAIN CUTS INTO GERMAN COMMERCE IN TURKEY

THE BRITISH AND Turkish Governments have now concluded arrangements which they hope will bring about a considerable increase in trade through commercial exchanges between Turkey and the British Empire.

During the validity of the arrangements provision is made that payments between Turkey and the sterling area shall be effected at the existing rate of exchange between sterling and the Turkish pound and that special accounts be created in order to facilitate commercial and other payments between the two countries.

The present arrangement is complementary to the trade and payments agreement signed in London on Feb. 3.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes that the new agreement is not only of commercial but also of political significance, and is in fact a challenge by the British Government to German economic domination in the Balkans.

It is believed possible that Germany may put forward a tempting commercial proposition to Turkey but the agreement should prevent Germany ever getting her old economic predominance in Turkish economics.

Whole Field

The agreement is a result of long discussions between the British and Turkish Governments and covers the whole field of Turkish financial and commercial relations with the United Kingdom and the British Empire.

The agreement will facilitate the purchase of Turkish and other agricultural products the disposal of which is necessary for the Turkish national economy.

Purchases will run into millions sterling.

The agreement will also enable the Turkish Government and local importers to import from the United Kingdom and the British Empire not only goods required for Government institutions but also other commodities such as woollens required by the producer.

Nazis Challenged

Full use will be made of the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation, which was primarily founded to facilitate trade between the United Kingdom and the Far East and which has considerably extended its spheres since it was founded in April.

Hitherto geographic and economic relations have resulted in Turkey conducting about 60 per cent of her total foreign trade with Germany, while the United Kingdom has less than 10 per cent.

There is no doubt that in future the economic domination of Germany, with its desirable political implications, will be effectively challenged.—Reuter.

BRITISH BLOCKADE TOO TIGHT

The chances of Germany breaking through the British blockade are very slight, declared the official "Central Daily News" in a leading article in Chungking yesterday.

"During the last European war, before United States entry, Germany controlled a larger territory in Europe than she does to-day.

"On land Germany's only outlet will be to push through the Balkans.

"It is true British shipping losses to-day are extremely serious but Britain can purchase ships from the United States, and in addition Britain's construction capacity must be considerable.

"One cannot say it is impossible for Germany to break through the British blockade but the chances must be very slight indeed."—Reuter.

RICE PETITION TO GOVERNMENT ADVOCATED

At a meeting yesterday of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, it was decided to approach the Chinese Representatives on the Legislative Council, to petition Government to release some of the stocks of rice, "stored" under Government regulations, for sale in the open market.

It was suggested that Government should adopt this method to temporarily remedy the present acute situation.

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF JAPANESE

A crushing defeat, involving over 20,000 casualties, was inflicted on Japanese troops who carried out an attack in northern Hupeh province, in central China, last week, according to an official despatch received yesterday by the Chinese Embassy in London.

The despatch adds Chinese troops captured Chennankwan, in Kwangtung, last Saturday.

"Enemy elements withdrew into Tongking, Indo-China," it concludes.—Reuter.

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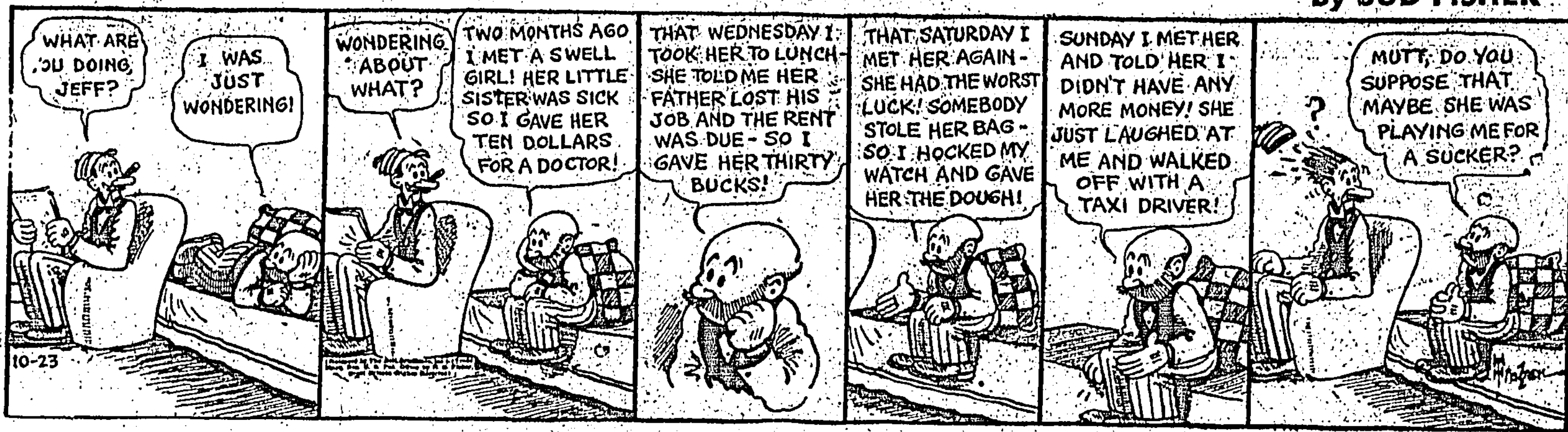
PRINTERS' SABOTAGE

A gambling house advertisement in yesterday's issue of the "Central China Daily News," Wang Ching-wei's mouthpiece in Shanghai, containing the slogan "Down with the Traitor, Wang Ching-wei" is believed to be a piece of sabotage by the printers, says a Shanghai dispatch.

The editorial staff did not discover the joke until the afternoon. When investigation was made, they found the printers had disappeared.—Central News.

MITT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



HE WASN'T TOO OLD AT 40—WINS D.F.C.

WHEN AN IMPERIAL Airways pilot volunteered for the R.A.F. he found it difficult to persuade them he was not "too old at forty" for war flying.

Now the pilot — Flight-Lieutenant Patrick Windsor Lynch-Blosse — has been awarded the D.F.C. for a daring bombing raid on an aircraft factory near Berlin. He scored direct hits on the main building.

Up to a few months ago, Flying-Lieutenant Lynch-Blosse was piloting large passenger flying-boats on the Empire routes. At her home at Bassett, Southampton, Mrs. Lynch-Blosse told a reporter: — "When my husband volunteered for service with the R.A.F. he found that the authorities were reluctant to let him do 'front line' duty on account of his age.

"Eventually, however, he managed to convince them. "He was anxious to prove that he could get as good results as his younger colleagues."

Asked if she felt nervous about her husband flying over Germany, Mrs. Lynch-Blosse said: "Not a bit! We both consider it as part of the day's work. After being married to a pilot for nine years you just get used to it. Although Pat is flying bombers instead of air liners, it's simply another bit

of flying to me. It's not much good being pessimistic, is it?"

Other R.A.F. awards announced included the D.S.O. for Acting Squadron-Leader Michael Nicholson Crossley, D.F.C., who has destroyed at least eighteen enemy planes — and probably another five.

Squadron-Leader Crossley won the D.F.C. in June.

The D.F.C. has been awarded to Acting Flight-Lieutenant Edward Brian Bretherton Smith, Acting Flight-Lieutenant John Terrance Webster, Flying-Officer John Bernard William Humpherson, Flying-Officer Rupert Frederick Smythe, and Pilot-Officer John Albert Axel Gibson.

Pilot-Officer Gibson, who is a New Zealander, was married last year to Ethel Formby, sister of George Formby, the comedian, a week after they had met at a Blackpool night club.

He has destroyed eight enemy aircraft.

SAVAGE MURDER IN THE NIGHT

A blood-stained chopper is the only clue to a gruesome murder carried out in the early hours of this morning at the Chung Hwa Book Company's premises, No. 3, Gilman's Bazaar.

The victim, Woo Tung-chiu, 28-year-old accountant of the company, was found dead by police who forced a way into the premises after being summoned by neighbours.

Woo, who was lying in a pool of blood, had been savagely hacked to death, presumably by the chopper found at the scene of the crime. His head was practically severed from his body.

Also in the room was Wong Shu-kam, 19, coolie employed by the company. Wong had also been attacked but was still alive. His condition is stated to be critical.

Locked From Outside

Apart from the evidence of neighbours, who heard sounds of a struggle and shouts of "Save life," the police are without information as to the identity of the assailant or assailants. No arrests have yet been made and investigations are continuing.

The premises were locked from the outside and the police, who were summoned to the scene at 6 a.m., had to force their way in.

BROTHER HIT WITH CHOPPER

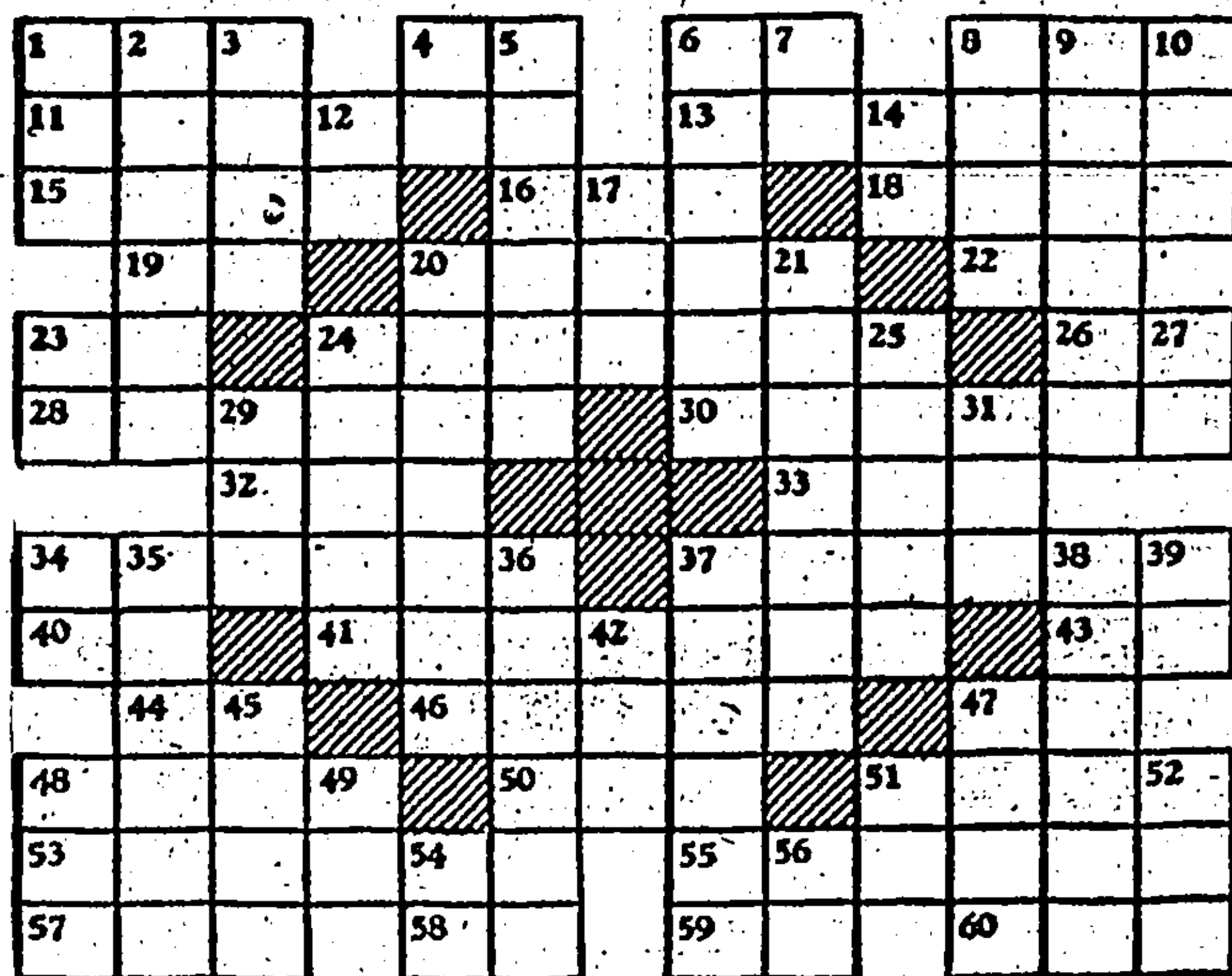
CHAN FU-CHEE, 30, MASTER OF A SHOP AT NO. 79, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, WAS CHARGED BEFORE MR. G. T. LOWRY THIS MORNING WITH WOUNDING HIS BROTHER, CHAN FU-WONG ON NOVEMBER 23.

Defendant, pleading guilty, said that he was drunk at the time of the incident. Det.-Sergeant W. Summers, who prosecuted, said defendant had an argument with his brother over accounts. He took a chopper and struck him over the head.

The brother had been in the Queen Mary Hospital for 12 days, and was discharged yesterday.

Defendant was remanded until to-morrow for consideration of sentence.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Skillful
- 4 To exist
- 6 Preposition
- 8 Worm
- 11 Ancient wizard
- 13 To narrate
- 15 Musical composition
- 16 A pair
- 18 Land measure
- 19 Above
- 20 Portrays
- 22 Greeting
- 23 Bone
- 24 Holy
- 26 Negative
- 28 To countermand
- 30 To make angry
- 32 Wing
- 33 Shell that falls to explode
- 34 North American country
- 37 An account deemed worthy of record
- 40 Symbol for silver
- 41 Tromblings
- 43 Symbol for sodium
- 44 Artificial

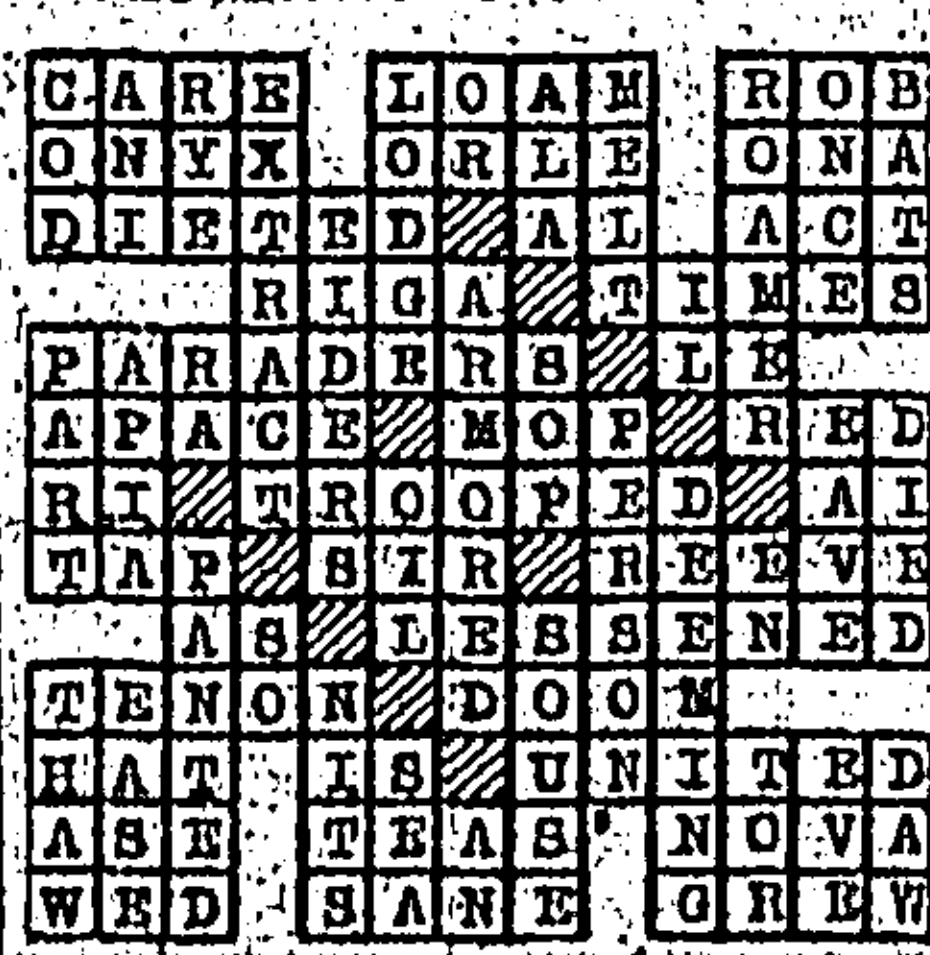
VERTICAL

- 1 Swedish territorial division
- 2 To scan
- 3 To stumble
- 4 Prefix: two
- 5 To necessitate
- 6 Author of "Jane Eyre"
- 7 Archaic article

8 Every

- 9 Cord
- 10 To observe
- 12 Behold!
- 14 Note of scale
- 17 To triumph
- 20 Paragon of knightlyhood
- 21 Offers
- 22 Conjunction
- 24 Vegetable dish
- 25 Percussion instruments
- 27 Periodic windstorm
- 29 Container
- 31 Bustle
- 34 Symbol for calcium
- 35 Consented
- 36 Moorish kettle-drum
- 37 Well-matured
- 38 To emboss
- 39 Sun god
- 42 To hasten
- 43 Heraldic bearing
- 47 To the sheltered side
- 48 To imitate
- 49 Hawaiian bird
- 51 By
- 52 Girl's name
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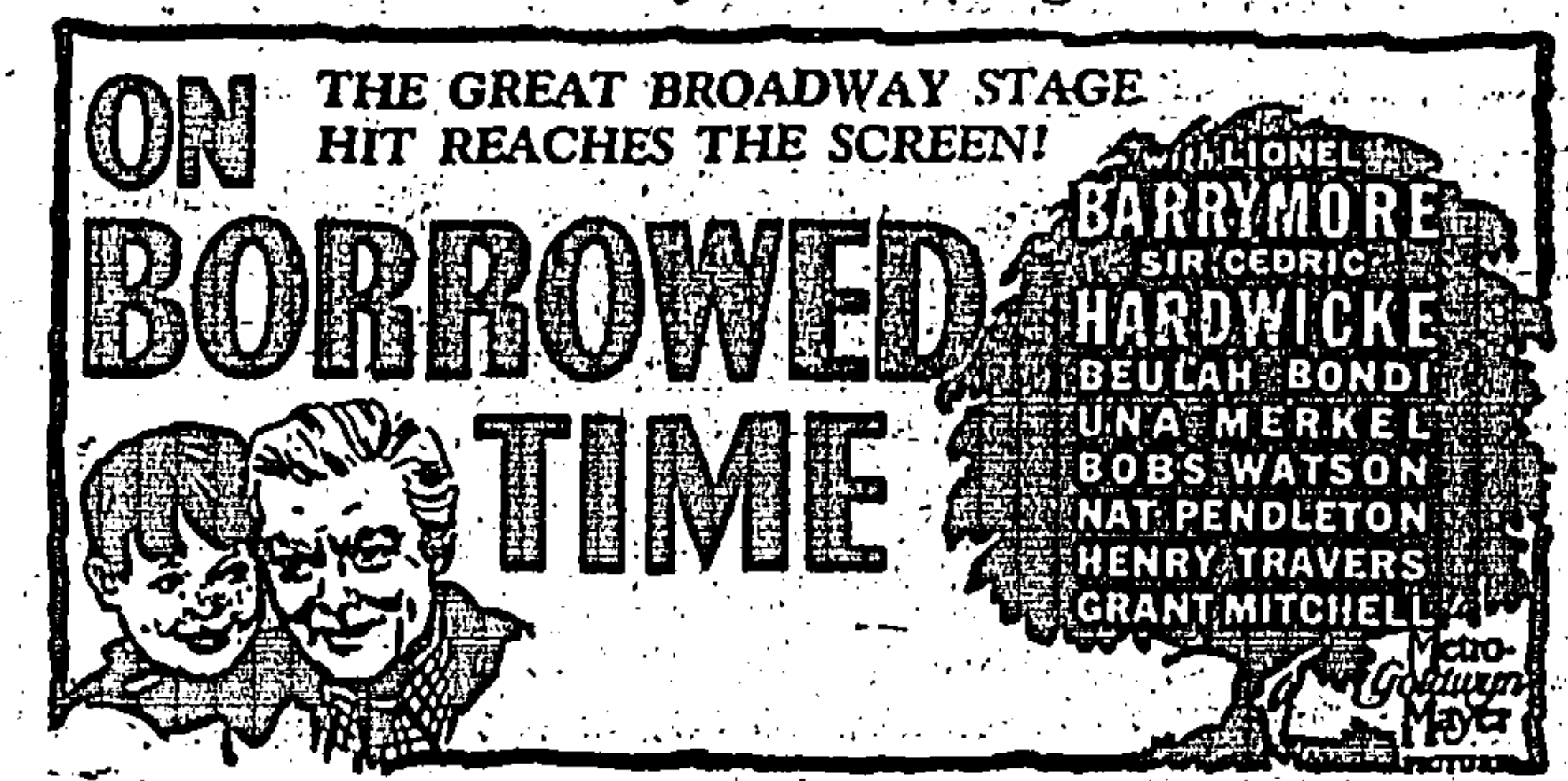
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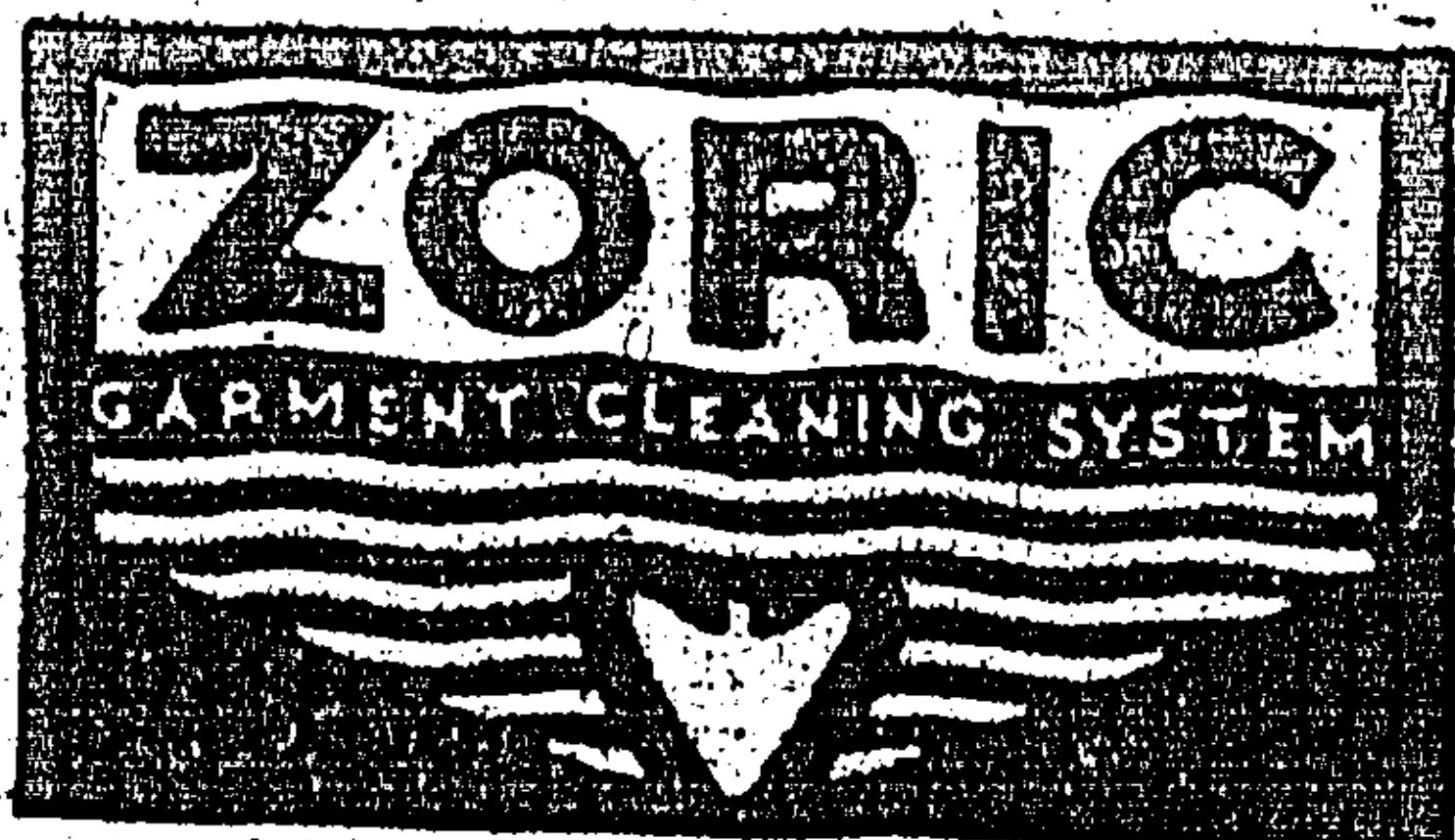
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THE CITY CARRIES ON—A cafe damaged by a bomb in a recent raid in the City area, had its gas supply cut off. The enterprising proprietor then served City workers with cups of tea on a stove in the street amid smoking debris. (Copyright, Fox).

COMMONS CALLS FOR DRASTIC ACTION

THE HOUSE OF Commons, resuming the Debate on the Address yesterday, heard a series of speeches from back benchers, almost all devoted to urging upon the Government more drastic action to mobilise the entire resources of the country for victory.

Earl Winterton expressed disappointment at what he considered the failure of Government spokesmen to give a convincing answer to criticisms voiced earlier in the debate.

There was a general desire, he said, to see Britain take the offensive in the field but a real offensive must first take place in factories and shipyards.

Lord Winterton urged also the vital importance of harnessing the resources of India and Africa to the provision of supplies for the Middle East campaigns.

At Home he advocated compulsory measures for control of resources and transference and training of manpower.

Strip To Waist

Mr. Seymour Cocks (Labour) agreed that on the home front they must strip to the waist for victory. He echoed the demand frequently heard in the course of debate for a constant vigorous attack against Italy.

Mr. George Buchanan, one of the three I. L. P. members, only group in the House not giving unreserved support to the war effort, expressed the view that a military victory by Germany was impossible and by Britain also impossible and said the sooner there was negotiated peace the happier he as a Pacifist would be. Mr. Vernon Barlett (Independent) said there had never been a war since the Crusades in which moral factors were so much on one side and material factors on the other.

He stressed the importance of making sure they secured the support to which they were entitled by a clear declaration of war aims.

Importance of Allies

Sir J. Wardlaw Milne (Conservative) was not satisfied that

the full industrial strength of the country was yet being thrown into the struggle.

Speaking for the Government in the course of the debate the Lord President of the Council warned members against seeking immediate results at the expense of the systematic development of productive capacity by which the full weight of Britain's effort would in due time be brought to bear crushingly on the enemy.

Taking up Lord Winterton's point, he called attention to the recent successful conference of the Eastern Group at Delhi. The recommendations had just become available to the government which would come to a decision with the least possible delay.—British Wireless.

DIED FOR A KISS

When his father crossed the road to catch a bus, three-year-old Bernard Shaffery, of Malmesbury-Close, Bristol, ran after him for a good-bye kiss.

The father boarded the bus, then saw the child in the path of a lorry.

He leapt off and raced to save him. But he was just too late. The boy was knocked down. He died in hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Shaffery told a reporter:—

"Bernard adored his father, and was always saying, 'Daddy,

SABOTAGE IN GERMANY

In the German newspapers, cases of sabotage are being reported. Formerly there was a strict ban on such information. Presumably publication is intended as a warning because of the increase in these incidents.

WEEK-END PILOTS BAG 29 IN 10 DAYS

A squadron of R.A.F. "week-end pilots" has brought down sixty-three enemy planes—twenty-nine in ten days—without the loss of a single pilot.

It is the City of Glasgow 602 Fighter Squadron Auxiliary Air Force.

One of the pilots in a letter to Lord Provost Dollan, described a recent air fight.

"I had a grand tussle with a Messerschmidt 109, which lasted for about four minutes, but I managed to get him in the end," he wrote.

"It was a magnificent spectacle. Up to 20,000ft, the air was full of a whirling mass of aircraft. So many Jerries were bailing out and coming down by parachute that it looked almost like an invasion.

"One of our pilots who came down by parachute when his aircraft was hit and burst into flames was cornered on a farm by a crowd of angry farmers all armed with pitchforks.

"They thought he was a Jerry."

SHIELDED BABY WITH HIS BODY

A young father shielded his little daughter with his body when a bomb fell in the London area, lifted their Anderson shelter out of the ground, flung it five yards, and then buried it under earth.

The father is Mr. Bradshaw and the child is four-year-old Maureen.

The rescue workers who released them from the shelter found the child unhurt, but both her parents had to be taken to hospital for treatment.

Asleep —

"Undoubtedly the father saved the child from being hurt. She was asleep when the bomb fell only a yard from the shelter and tore a big crater there," said a warden.

Six people were killed in the same street when a bomb wrecked three houses on the opposite side of the road.

In another part air raid shelters at an A.F.S. station were partly buried by debris, including heavy concrete pillars flung on them by a bomb.

The firemen — all unhurt — released themselves.

kiss me."

Her Birthday

"My two little girls, Bernard and I, went to the bus stop with my husband when he left for business, as I thought I would buy a birthday cake as a treat for the children. It was my birthday.

"My husband left us to cross the road to the bus and he did not kiss Bernard. The next moment I missed my baby. He must have slipped after his Daddy to give him a good-bye kiss.

"A few moments later I saw him lying in my husband's arms on the other side of the street."



STANDING UP TO THE ENEMY

It is some three months since the intensified night bombing of London began. Save on one or two nights of bad weather it has never ceased and it has been accompanied by full scale murder attacks on some other areas, notably Coventry, Birmingham, Southampton, Bristol and Liverpool (Merseyside). The casualties inflicted have been almost entirely civilian; the damage wrought has mainly, though of course not entirely, been to homes and to premises not engaged in war work. Unless on the totalitarian theory that a country's war strength is its entire population, and every man, woman, and child is a legitimate target, it is impossible to justify the greater part of what the German bombers have done. Where they have aimed, instead of bombing at random, some of their choices of aim have been infamous—in particular, the concentration of their attack upon hospitals.

So far as the enemy's plans were directed to breaking the spirit of our people, they have failed. Neither in the Metropolis nor elsewhere has the reaction of the victims been towards giving in. The whole nation realises now that there is no room for it; that we are fighting against an enemy who knows neither mercy nor fair play and is incapable of compromise; and that there is nothing for us but to fight on regardless of losses, until we pull him down, as by patience and steady perseverance in applying our superior resources we undoubtedly shall. Even if the actual devastation of London and Southampton were such as the German propaganda already pictures it, we could still have no thought of surrender. For giving in would involve our whole nation in a permanent and irretrievable ruin, beside which the temporary ruin of the bricks and mortar of a city can sustain no sort of comparison.

The trial is severe. But no one who witnesses it will gainsay that the spirit of the people from top to bottom (and not least at the bottom) has been truly magnificent. Never had a democratic Government a stauncher democracy at its back. What is now required is that the immediate needs arising out of the air war should be fully and promptly dealt with. No one need be surprised if the crisis

For about four months now the British Empire virtually single-handed, has been standing up to the combined power of two great military dictatorships of Europe.

More, indeed, than standing up. It has continued to wage against them an economic offensive. It has launched and sustained a great air offensive against Nazi Germany's power of waging war. It has reinforced its strength on its "second front" in the Middle East.

Yet when France collapsed there were many, not only among our enemies, but among our friends in neutral countries, who thought that Britain could not be expected to stand alone against the two combined dictatorships.

That our enemies, exultant in their victories, should have believed this was natural. But there were in fact reasons enough for anxiety—reasons which became acute when there was a prospect that the French navy would fall into German hands.

In the United States a pessimistic view of the situation was marked and the early collapse of Britain was gloomily forecast in some quarters.

The new world felt itself threatened.

It appeared to many there that the British Navy could not retain control of the Atlantic and Britain herself with her air force outnumbered and her army without equipment seemed to lie open for an invasion.

To-day the confidence of our friends has been restored. It has been demonstrated, and this is perhaps the outstanding feature of this phase of war, that British bases are safe. The British Isles will not fail.

What has brought about this astonishing change in the situation? In the first instance, no doubt, it is due to the courage of the British race and its leaders all over the world and to their refusal to accept defeat.

In the wildest sense it is to the cooperation of the three fighting services that must be attributed the Empire's power for continuing the struggle. The navy has continued to control sea communications and to it is owed not only Britain's food supply but armaments manufacture and raw materials.

It has maintained at the same time the stranglehold of the blockade and with the air force made the attempts at invasion prohibitively dangerous except to fanatics rushing to their doom.

To the magnificent courage and efficiency of the R.A.F. is owed an equal debt. It has contributed largely towards making naval operations and movements of shipping possible in the water where they are exposed to air attack. It has repulsed air attacks which might have destroyed British industry and greatly reduced losses that otherwise would have

revealed some deficiencies. Where the obstacle has been red tape, it is being cut; where it has consisted in the confusion of authorities and the resulting tendency for initiative and responsibility to fall down between a multiplicity of stools, the method chosen is to fix a definite authority for definite tasks, and to clothe it with adequate powers. The appointment of Sir Warren Fisher with wide powers to clear up London's debris was an example in point, and deserved signalling as one of the wisest steps that the Government had yet taken in this field.

By Major General Sir Charles Gwynn

been suffered from air bombardment.

Behind the lines of defence provided by the Navy and the air force the army has been re-armed and re-organised. The Home Guard has sprung into existence and has been equipped. Ground defences against air attack have also been multiplied. Every section of the population in Britain and throughout the Empire has thrown itself into the struggle. To the workmen and to their machines special credit is due.

By general consent then including, I assume, that of its enemies the Empire's base is now secure. It may be damaged by air attacks but at a great cost and the damage will at least be equalled by the damage inflicted on Germany.

Britain is intact and has built up an immensely powerful defensive line, one which depends for its strength as much on human material and spirit as on steel and concrete. Britain must not however fall a victim to the Maginot complex and become obsessed solely with the problem of defending her base. Actions are being carried out by the R.A.F. and in the Navy healthy signs of the offensive spirit have been retained.

But the importance of the Empire's outposts must not be forgotten in the determination to defend the base.

Egypt and the Middle East have become almost as important a theatre of operations as Britain itself. Imperial security there is of vital importance. There also may arise an opportunity not only for frustrating the enemy's intentions but for striking back.

Looking back on these three months the Empire has made an amazing recovery. Both in itself and in the world's estimation. Is it surprising that confidence has been restored and neutral opinion has been impressed? But Mr. Churchill is wise to insist that there is a long and hard road to travel and that it extends out of the present range of vision and the British people must steel themselves for the journey. There can be no thought of repose or relaxation of effort.

The moral and material assistance which the Empire's efforts have won from its friends is perhaps the most reassuring tribute that could be paid to them.

The air war may continue for a long period with only minor alterations in methods. We are afforded an opportunity of reviewing the situation in other theatres of war and potential theatres. Libya and Abyssinia are of course the only other active theatres but potential theatres are numerous.

In Libya Graziani is still attempting to develop communications and an advance base at Sidi Barrani. Subjected to bombardment by naval guns on one side, to harassing attacks by mobile land units on the other, and to air attacks, his preparations necessarily proceed slowly. He is suffering losses in material and communications, of his advanced troops make considerable demands on his resources.

Meanwhile Allied forces have deployed in strength in and behind strongly fortified positions at Mersa Matruh. It is an army in which many nations are represented and all its constituents are imbued with an offensive spirit. What was perhaps a critical situation now inspires confidence for while it would be a profound error to underestimate Italian strength in numbers, quality and material the Allied army is now formidable also.

The opposing armies however, are and may remain for sometime

outside striking distance of each other for anything in the nature of offensive attack and counter-attack.

Before the offensive stage is reached Graziani may receive reinforcements of aircraft and mechanised troops from Germany. But it seems to me improbable that they would be on a large scale.

For the German Air Force is pretty fully engaged in the Battle of Britain and part is presumably needed on Germany's eastern frontier.

Sea communications with Libya are by no means safe from disturbance and unless they can be made safe it is doubtful if Germany would risk sending many valuable troops across the Mediterranean.

On the Abyssinia-Kenya frontier skirmishing takes place freely, but there seems little prospect of any important development there.

The Italian occupation of Somaliland, as expected, has produced no change in the general military situation.

Fronting the Sudan at Kassala the Italians are prepared for an offensive operation, but it is unlikely to mature until it can be synchronised with a major attempt by Graziani in Libya. How far the Italians in Abyssinia possess the resources for a serious invasion of the Sudan is doubtful. In any case they would meet stout opposition and be exposed to harassing counter-attacks. Important events are definitely pending in North Africa but there may be considerable delay before they develop.

Of the other regions that demand attention Spain is perhaps more important. Pressure is obviously being put on General Franco to make a move on Gibraltar, presumably with Axis assistance.

Berlin prophesies that Spain will join the three-Power Pact. Italy hints at Spain's entry into the war.

No fact is more certain than that Spain is war-weary. She is extremely impoverished as a result of her own civil war and the interruption to trade caused by the present war.

She stands to lose more than she can even be promised by the Axis by going to war. Perhaps her attitude, like that of others, is one of waiting on the outcome of the air Battle of Britain.

Axis pressure on Balkan countries has brought Rumania and Hungary into the position of dependent states. Obviously, however uncertain, the attitude of Russia exercises a restraining influence on other developments.

It seems certain that the Germans or Italians will not resort to the use of force in the Balkans if they can achieve their aims by threats. Apart from the danger of a collision with Russia, it is obvious that military operations of any sort in the Balkans would interfere with the transport of oil and other supplies which the Axis powers require.

Diplomatic pressure on Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece will no doubt be heavy, but Greece alone seems in danger. The British guarantee, which of course has a direct bearing on the naval situation in the Mediterranean, is bitterly resented by Berlin and Rome. A German attack on Turkey, even if the Balkan countries acquiesced, seems improbable, not only owing to Russia's relations with Turkey, but because it would involve very extensive military operations which could not achieve rapid results.

How far Germany is convinced by the Finnish War that Russia does not constitute a military danger is hard to say. For in the later stages of that war the previously low estimates of Russian efficiency were considerably revised upwards.

The pact of Japan with the Axis Powers, designed to place a brake on Anglo-American collaboration, has had if anything the opposite result. What the effect will be on the attitude of Russia is still ob-

Some Very Odd Jobs

Are you tired of your job? Would you like to do something a little more out of the ordinary? If so, here are a few suggestions for you?

Why not be a professional corpse? Leo Moore has played the corpse in over a hundred film productions and is Hollywood's best paid small part actor. Before he won success, however, he had to work hard practising to control his muscles and breathing so that the illusion of death would be complete.

Another man who earns his living by pretending to be lifeless is Rudolf Nedvidek, who is a pro-

By Mary Bridges

fessional tailor's dummy. He stands for hours in shop windows without moving an eyelid, however much passers-by may stare at him.

If your senses are keener than the average you might earn your living as a wine or tea taster, a cheese sampler or a milk drinker, employed by one of the big dairy companies to test and grade samples of milk. Even your nose might find you a job. One American gas company employs an elderly negro to go sniffing the air in the streets of the town they supply to detect any leaks. He is paid for each leakage he discovers.

Perhaps a life-time of potato-peeling does not appeal to you, but Mr. J. H. Hickman, champion potato peeler of the Cunard Line, loves his work and says that it is highly-skilled. He has peeled over 3,000,000 potatoes.

A Bolton man found an original way of making a living. He goes round from house to house with a bottle of gilt paint and offers to regild the numbers on doors when they are dull and hard to see. Another man earned £3 a week simply by carrying round a bucket of water at race meetings for the bookmakers to dip their sponges in it.

A London girl makes a very good living as a professional shopper. She buys clothes for women who live far away from town and has customers not only in the provinces but all over the world. Very different are the jobs of some girls in the film studios. They are employed as "agers" to fill the demand for old clothes for screen tramps and down-and-outs. They can make the smartest suit look old and threadbare in a few minutes by rubbing it on a rough wall or skilfully staining it.

Then there are the human "guinea pigs" who allow doctors and scientists to try out all kinds of queer experiments on them. One man earned £10 a month by allowing the doctors to give him headaches to aid them in their search for a cure for migraine.

Less painful but far more dangerous is the window cleaner's job. Not the ordinary window cleaner, but those employed on the skyscrapers of New York. The window cleaning staff of the Empire State Building, which has 102 storeys, are among the highest paid unskilled workers in the world, earning £8 a week while every man is insured for 1,000 dollars and is given regular medical examination. Most of the workers are of Polish origin.

scure and so far it does not seem materially to have changed the general military situation.

In the situation the outstanding point to my mind is that Germany, who up to now has won victories, mainly through her army, is unable to discover the theatre in which she can use her army to the detriment of Britain.

It may become purely an Army of European Occupation. She must rely almost solely on her air force for offensive power. And in the air she has met her match.



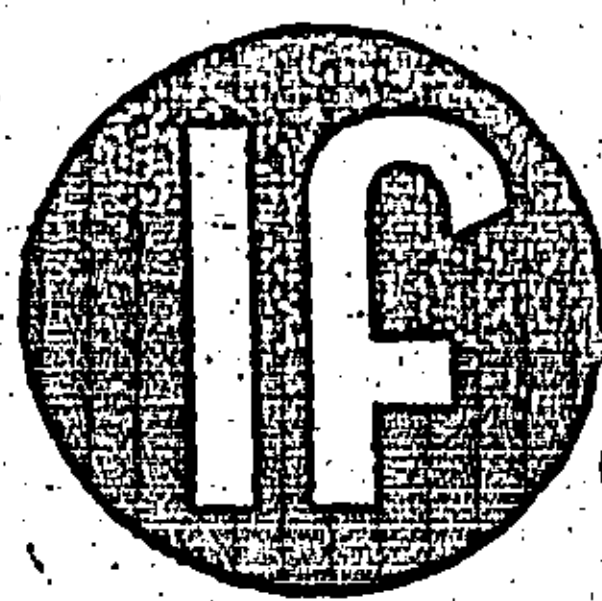
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Relentless Advance On Santi Quaranta

THE ADVANCE of the Greeks to within 1½ miles of the Albanian supply port of Santi Quaranta is one of their most notable achievements, for it was from here that the Italians first drove them back till the fighting raged 15 miles inside Greece.

The Greeks then rallied and in the last three weeks have steadily driven the Fascists back to where they started. Greek guns now command the port and Greek infantry units are on its fringes.

Further inland, but still near the coast, the Italian grip on Argyrokastron is being steadily loosened. The Greeks have taken two more heights dominating the city, and the Italian position is said to be desperate.

Greek advance units are reported to have cut the transport route between Argyrokastron and the coast.

Heavy Snow

Heavy snow is falling in the north, but even here the Greeks are still advancing.

The Greek High Command announces that new heights have been taken around Podgradetz, following intense fighting, and some of the Italians are withdrawing westwards to Elbasan, which is only some 30 miles from the coast.

An Athens message says that an Italian counter-attack near Lake Ohrida has been repulsed, the Greeks taking a large number of prisoners.

GERMANS RATTLED BY R.A.F. RAIDS

Travellers and seamen arriving at Baltic ports from Germany bring reports, which are ever more persistent, of the effects of the British night raids, especially on the temper of the German people, who are growing more and more impatient. Even among the troops in Holland and Belgium war enthusiasm, it is said, is declining.

Apparently the relative inactivity and the delayed invasion of Great Britain, although it is repeatedly announced to be impending, has gone a long way to undermine the spirit of the soldiers, and the belief is growing, not only among the rank and file, but also among the officers, that they have bitten off more than they can chew in challenging Great Britain across the sea. This belief is strengthened by the many German bodies washed up on the shores.

These casualties are reported to be due to experimental exercises in embarkation in preparation for invasion as well as to the activities of British submarines and the Norwegian phantom ship Slesinger.

Some of the lives lost off the coasts of Holland and Belgium are certainly due to the recent bombing by the R.A.F. of heavily laden craft which had been assembled for an attempt at invasion.

Seamen say the most extensive havoc has been wrought by British airmen, especially at the ports of Hamburg and Bremen. This may explain an advertisement now appearing in the German Press for engineers, surveyors, builders, and electricians to proceed to Hamburg. Attractive conditions and long contracts are offered.

ITALY CALLS UP YOUTHS OF 19

ITALY YESTERDAY STARTED TO CALL UP TO THE COLOURS HER YOUTHS OF 19. Only priests and men already in the Fascist militia and police will be exempt. — Reuter.

The Greeks are now twice as far into Albania as the Italians ever got into Greece.

Even Rome cannot claim "victories," and speaks of renewed counter-attacks by numerous Greek formations supported by considerable artillery fire.

Closing In Relentlessly

NET RESULT OF THE GREEK OPERATIONS IN THE LAST 36 HOURS HAS BEEN TO IRON OUT A NUMBER OF "POCKETS" AND BRING THE GREEK LINE INTO A BROAD EGG-SHAPED CURVE ACROSS SOUTHERN ALBANIA.

The Greeks all day yesterday closed in relentlessly on Santi Quaranta, while north of Argyrokastron the Italian troops fell back from Premeti towards Kilsura and Tepelini.

They were being harried by aircraft while the Greek land forces—already very near Premeti yesterday morning—continued to move forward.

Bigger Battle Ahead

Italian resistance is also weakening round Moshkopolis, south-west of Podgradetz, following severe fighting there a few days ago.

North of Podgradetz the Greeks have occupied a village on Lake Ohrida.

Responsible newspapers in Athens, however, warn against over-optimism. "A bigger battle still lies ahead," they declare. — Reuter.

THREE-DAY BAZAAR FOR CHINA'S WOUNDED

The Hong Kong Chinese Women's Soldiers Relief Association's annual three-day bazaar and sale of work will be officially opened by Madame Sun Fo, wife of the President of the Legislative Yuan, at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow at the Chinese Recreation Club in Causeway Bay.

The bazaar will remain open until 11 p.m. and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Christmas shoppers will find the bazaar well worth visiting for there will be a variety of useful articles and toys on display, knitted woollen articles, needle-work, children's clothes, garments for young and old, toys, dolls and doll-cribs, curios, ancient and modern Chinese paintings.

There will also be stalls for tea and light refreshments; and different games for adults and children, confectionery and fruit and flowers.

For those who wish to "see into the future," there will be a Fortune Teller.

Tickets will also be sold for the Great Raffle in which many valuable prizes will be offered.

Mrs. Rose Tan, Chairman of the Association, is in charge of the function and will be assisted by a corps of helpers.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST WOMAN IN CIVIL ACTION

AN ALLEGATION THAT a Chinese woman, owner of a business in Shataukok, wrongfully received and converted to her own use 300 tins of kerosene belonging to the Man Hing Tai Firm, also of Shataukok, was made by Mr. C. A. S. Russ before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Supreme Court this morning.

The woman, Ko Lai-sang, trading under the name of Yat Sang Cheung, was sued for the return of the kerosene or payment of its value, \$948. She was represented by Mr. A. S. K. Lau.

Appearing for plaintiff, Mr. C. A. S. Russ, stated that the case was more or less based on facts and not on law.

Both plaintiff and defendant were carrying on businesses in Chung Ying Road, Shataukok, the woman on a small scale.

Village Crowded

On one occasion, she accused plaintiff of wrongfully taking four tins of kerosene which belonged to her. This was found to be correct, and the four tins were refunded.

Soon after this, she is alleged to have threatened that for every tin of kerosene wrongfully taken by plaintiff, she would take 100 tins!

On April 4 last, 300 tins arrived in Shataukok on a truck for the plaintiff. The day being a festival, the village was crowded with people. Soon after the truck arrived, it was alleged defendant instructed her folks to unload the kerosene tins and store them in her shop.

The driver assumed that everything was correct and allowed the kerosene to be unloaded.

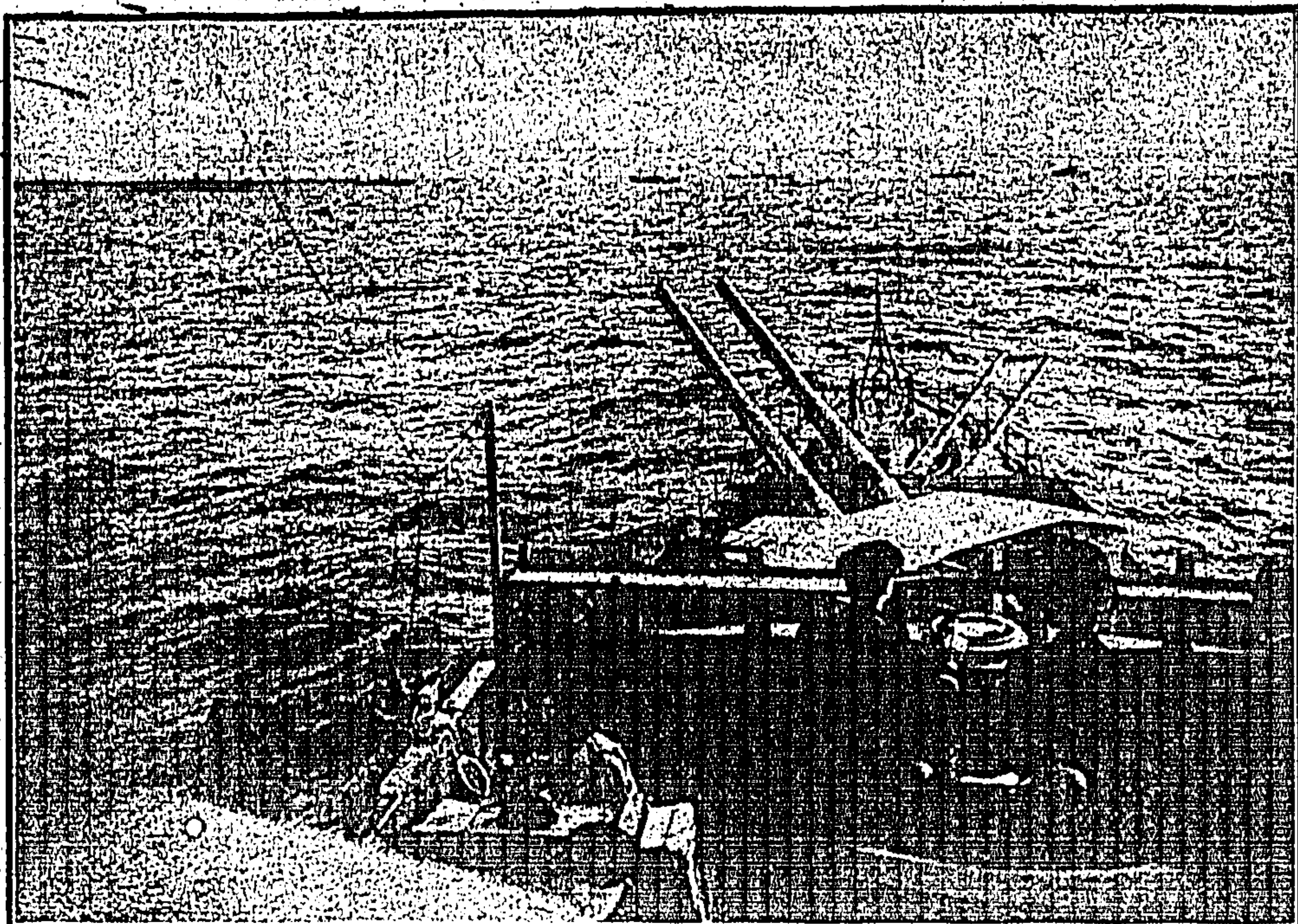
Four days later, after inquiries, it was found that defendant had taken the kerosene. She, however, denied having seen it. Four demands were made on her to return it — one by an agent, another by plaintiff's accountant, the third by the police and the fourth by a mutual friend, but she struck to her previous statement that she had not taken the kerosene.

Folk's Stories

As there was only suspicion and no proof, the matter was dropped, and nothing occurred until October when defendant's folks realised that there was an excess of 300 tins of kerosene in stock and informed her of the fact. She, it was alleged, ordered them to keep quiet and bought each a suit of clothes.

Later, two folks left her employ. In reply to questions put by a potential future employer, one of these folks, it was alleged, said he left his previous employment because his employer (defendant) was dishonest. He disclosed the manner in which defendant had taken the kerosene. This man, a friend of plaintiff, informed him, following which further inquiries were made and the writ was issued.

The case is proceeding.



The dual-purpose guns of the Royal Navy ready for action in a destroyer escorting a convoy safely through the Channel.

JAPAN'S HAND SEEN BEHIND THAI FIGHTING

THE OUTBREAK of fighting between Indo-China and Thailand shows that Japan is determined to proceed with her southward expansion programme, declares the Chinese official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

"It is particularly noteworthy that Thailand is resorting to armed force after the suspension of negotiations in Batavia between Japan and the N.E.I.

"Japan is making use of Thailand to pave the way to complete occupation of Indo-China as a base for her southward expansion.

"Meanwhile, if the N.E.I. refuse to come to terms, Japan will take armed action against them.

"It is reported that as a result of negotiations between Vichy and Tokyo, Japan has already secured the French Government's agreement for the establishment of an air base at Saigon."

Japan On Eve

The newspaper is convinced that there is an "intimate connection between the clash between Indo-China and Thailand, and the situation in the N.E.I. In other words Japan is now on the eve of her southward expansion.

"At the same time we believe that if the United States has a firm determination to check Japan she can do so before the situation goes out of hand," — Reuter.

R.A.F. MEN LAND IN GERMANY

LANDING AND CAPTURE OF BRITISH FLIERS IN GERMANY IS REPORTED IN BERLIN.

Pilot Officer Robert David Wawn, of Sydney, Australia, landed with a crew of three and stepped out for a smoke, states the report.

Their Hampden Hereford P2070 of the 50th Bomber Squadron carried unreleased pigeons, the Germans said.

Names of the crew were given as: John Scholfield, Princes Road, Doncaster; Sergeant Ralf Smith, Elswick Road, Newcastle; and Sergeant Henry Bushell, Westwood Park, London, S.E. — Associated Press.

HOUSES ROBBED BY GERMANS

Every house in Guernsey has been searched by German troops and all food, canned (and preserved, taken away.

This is disclosed by a Channel Island refugee in a letter to Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P.

The inhabitants of the island are allowed two meals a day.

The refugee also states that he has heard from his four sisters, left in Guernsey, that his seventy-four-year-old brother-in-law was machine-gunned and killed on the first day of the German invasion.

MOSLEY AT A PRISON CAMP

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN BRIXTON PRISON—INCLUDING SIR OSWALD MOSLEY AND OTHER PROMINENT FASCISTS—HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRED TO AN INTERNMENT CAMP, LATCHMERE HOUSE, HAM COMMON, RICHMOND.

In the House of Commons Mr. Stoke (Soc., Ipswich) asked the Minister of Home Security whether he was aware that in some cases prisoners had been questioned by the military.

Mr. Peake replied that Latchmere House was not a military detention camp, although the commandant and guards were provided by the War Office.

It was used for the temporary detention of persons thought to be in possession of information of value to the Government.

TRAMWAY OFFICE ROBBED

Mr. H. W. Hammond, traffic superintendent of the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., has reported that money and other articles, to the value of \$48, were stolen from his office on Tuesday.

PLAYING FIELDS THEFT

Miss D. L. Sage, of No. 146, Argyle Street, has reported the theft of a lady's overcoat valued at \$80, from a playing field in Happy Valley on Tuesday.

It is notified that the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith has resumed duty as Colonial Secretary. The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North has resumed duty as Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

AXIS IN SHANGHAI STRAINED?

For the past several months, local Germans and Italians have met together at the German School in Great Western Road, Shanghai, every Thursday night, says the "North China Daily News." Last Thursday, however, only Germans were present. Apparently, invitations were not sent to Italians.

It was also learned that the Italian flag painted on the side of the s.s. Conte Verde, the large Italian passenger boat which sought refuge in Shanghai when Italy declared war on Great Britain and France, was being painted out.

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Girls of the A.T.S. are saying good-bye to dainty "nighties" for the duration.

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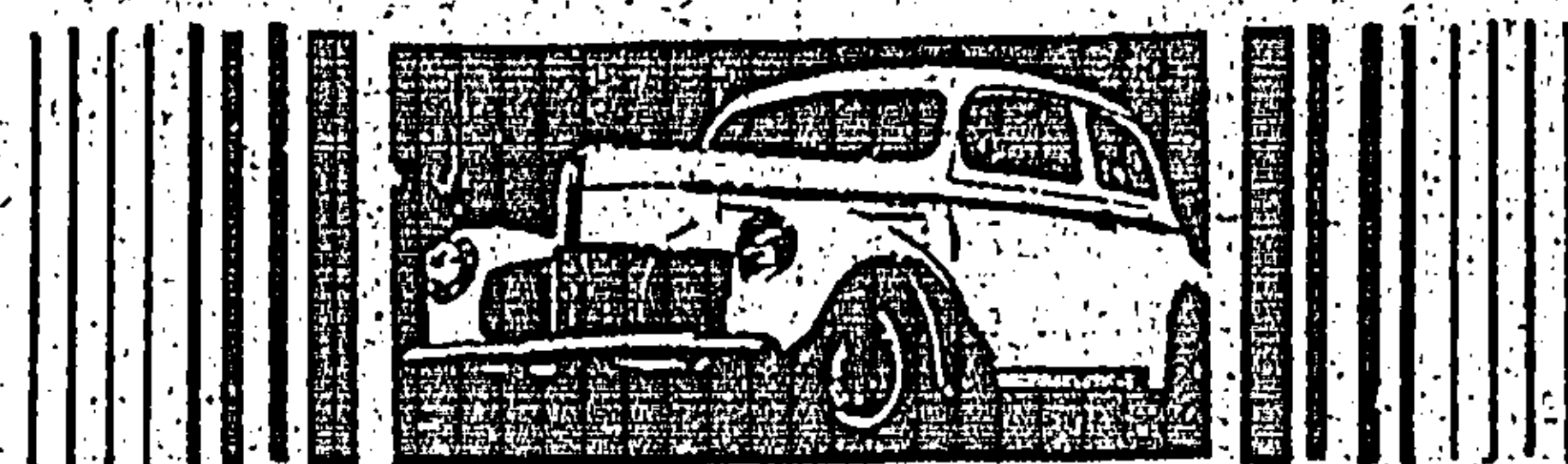
"Women's Institutes and other organisations throughout the Empire are helping us in this appeal," said Mrs. Brathwaite Walls, an official of the fund.

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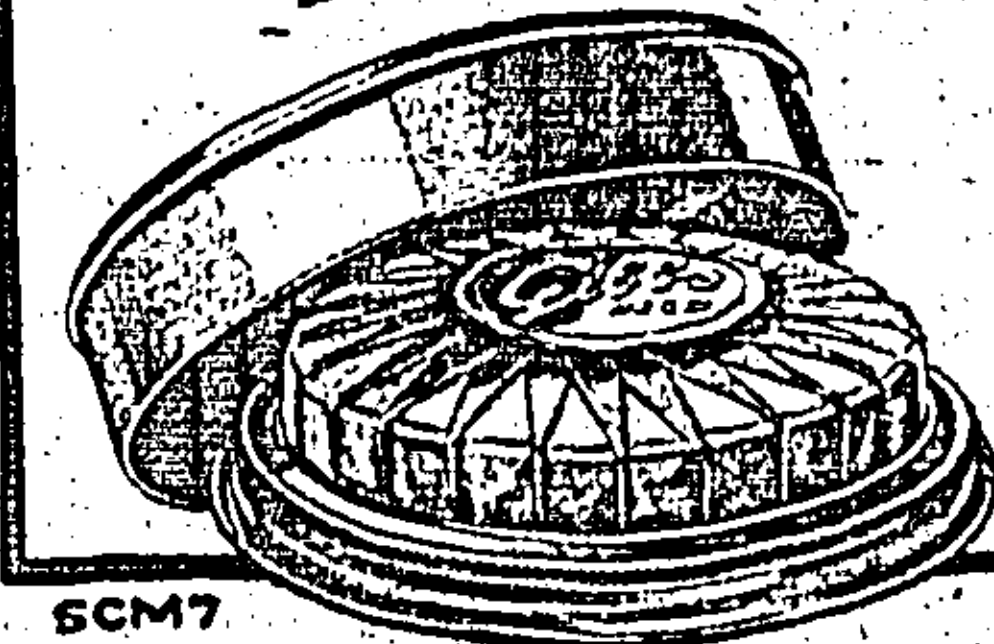
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H. J. PEARCE,

Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 3rd December, 1940.



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th day of December, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Blue Pool Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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BRIDGE NOTES

BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 16

By The Four Aces

Among the most satisfactory of all swindles are those which encourage the opponents to continue along a bad path into which they have happened to fall:

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East-West vulnerable

♠ 9 8 6 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ A Q J 10
♣ 9 3

♠ K J 5
♥ 7 5 4 2
♦ 6 5 2
♣ Q J 10

W
N
E
S

♠ A 4
♥ A J 9
♦ K 9 8
♣ 8 7 6 5 2

The bidding:

North East South West
1♦ Pass 2NT Pass
3NT Pass Pass Pass

West saw no point in opening either red suit, and feared a spade lead, so opened the Queen of clubs.

East overtook with the club King, preparing to unblock the suit; and South innocently dropped the seven or eight.

South didn't know, of course, why West had opened the Queen of clubs; he was just glad — whatever the reason was.

He could count eight top tricks and no chance at all for a ninth unless he managed to set up a club before they knocked out his Ace of spades. Under the circumstances it was his not to reason, why, but just to tell a convincing lie.

East looked happily at South's seven of clubs. His partner had opened a long club suit! For South could have only one card better than the seven, and West must therefore have led from a six-card suit. So East hastily laid down the club Ace, and South just as hastily dropped the club eight. And then another club lead went to West's ten.

At this point, of course, South was able to claim the rest, for the opponents had set up two club tricks for him. Note that, East might have shifted to spades if South had not encouraged him to continue the clubs. And a spade shift would have been the end of that hand, for South would have lost three spades and two clubs without a struggle.

Yesterday you were playing a Small Slam contract. You had entries to each hand, no losers in the side suits, and the following trump suit:

9 7 6

Dummy

You

A Q 10 8 5 4

How did you play the trumps?

ANSWER: Lay down the Ace of trumps first. Then go over to the dummy and lead a trump towards your Queen. If the Ace drops a singleton honour on your left, you have saved yourself a guess. Don't forget you are perfectly willing to lose one trump trick; you just want to insure yourself against the loss of two trumps.

Score 100% for the recommended play, 0 for any other.

Question No. 581

To-day you are playing another Small Slam contract. You have entries to each hand, no losers in the side suits, and the following trump suit:

A J 8 4

Dummy

You

K 8 7 6 5

How do you play the trumps?

(Answer to-morrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)



One sure way of gaining a lot of unpopularity is to fill every sentence you utter full of "I's."

RAIDS MEAN FUN FOR THEM

Five mothers—the "early turn squad"—wait every morning at the gates with a Norwich school for younger children opens.

And when the school opens again after the lunch hour five more mothers are there to carry on.

The women volunteers have formed their own children's wardens' corps with the slogan, "Fun and games for the kiddies during raid alarms."

When the siren is heard the women wardens get busy.

Each gathers her own group of children and leads them singing to their shelters. Once there it is her business to organise games and competitions to keep them amused.

EVEN INFANTS CARRIED ON

The headmaster of a London school was so pleased that children in his infants' class were at school in the morning, after having spent most of the night in air-raid shelters, that he bought them all ice cream to eat in their morning break.

LONDON PUZZLES NAZIS

Reports from American correspondents in Berlin show between the lines that the Nazis are both puzzled and exasperated by the failure of the British to understand that they ought to give in. It is not hard to see, too, in some wishful thinking that the Germans are doing, a certain anxiety as well as bewilderment.

Thus one correspondent reports the Germans as saying it is highly significant that official communications are constantly reiterating that railway stations and lines in and around London and elsewhere in England are being bombed.

This can only mean, they say, that London is becoming more and more a "beleaguered fortress, which, like Warsaw and Rotterdam, will have to choose between destruction and unconditional capitulation." Daily and nightly bombings of a city the size of London is bound, they insist, to reduce the spirit of the inhabitants.

It annoys them, too, that the Royal Family stays at its post, and so they will not believe it.

In the hope of disposing of this unpalatable fact they declare that "the cheap and obviously only slightly effective practice" of making Britons believe the Royal Family is standing by in spite of the rain of German bombs will be still less effective when the British people "discover that it is living outside London, and dashes into town for State acts and propaganda purposes only when German raids are over."

COLONEL KILLED WHILE SHOOTING

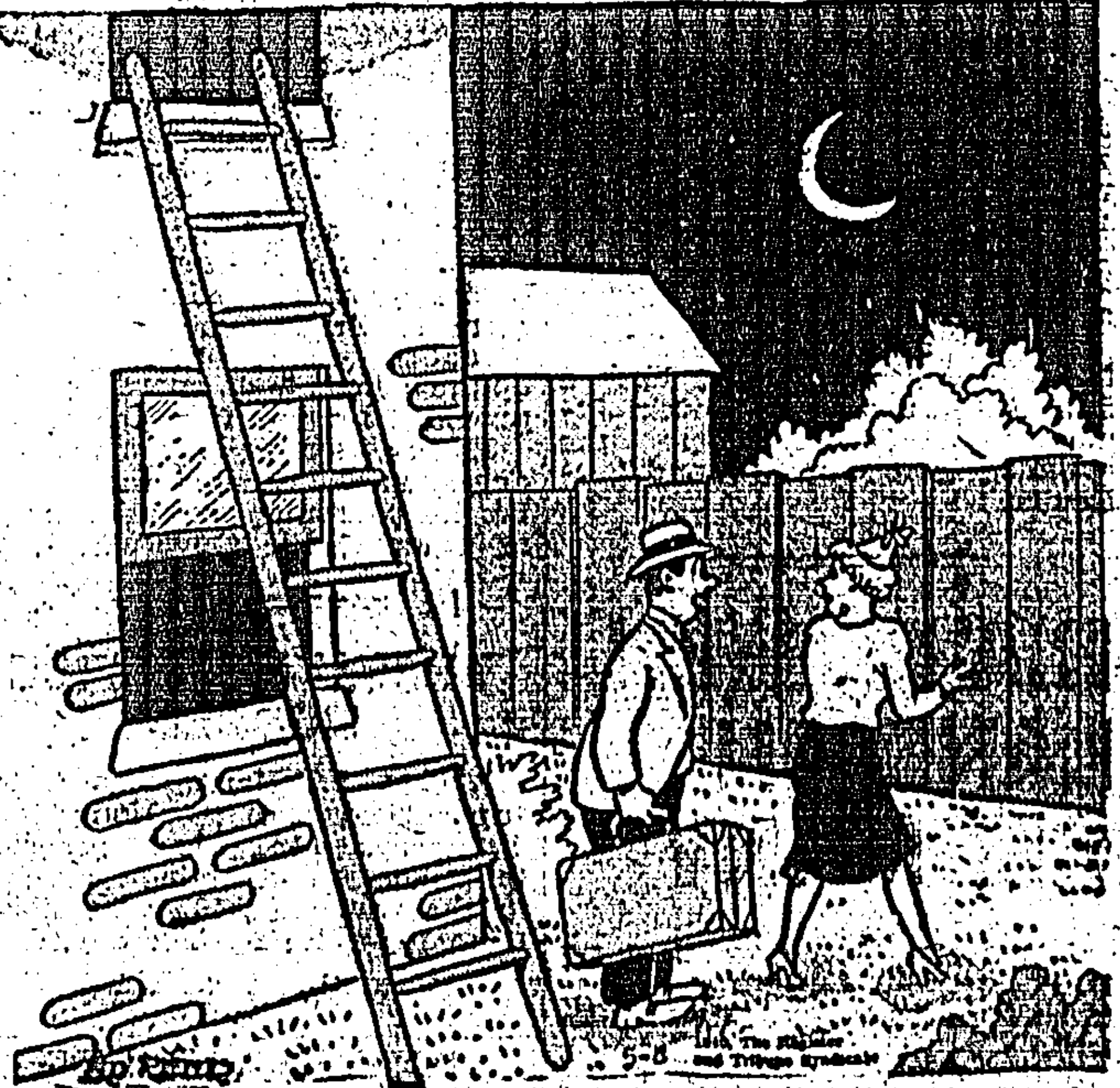
Colonel Cecil G. Hankey, aged sixty-six, of Binderton House, near Chichester, was shot dead while pigeon shooting in his grounds.

He was alone, but the position in which he was found proved that he had caught his toe in a hole and stumbled forward with the result that his gun went off.

Verdict: Accidental death.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"Let's leave it up to get back in—we'll hafta live with your folks anyway."

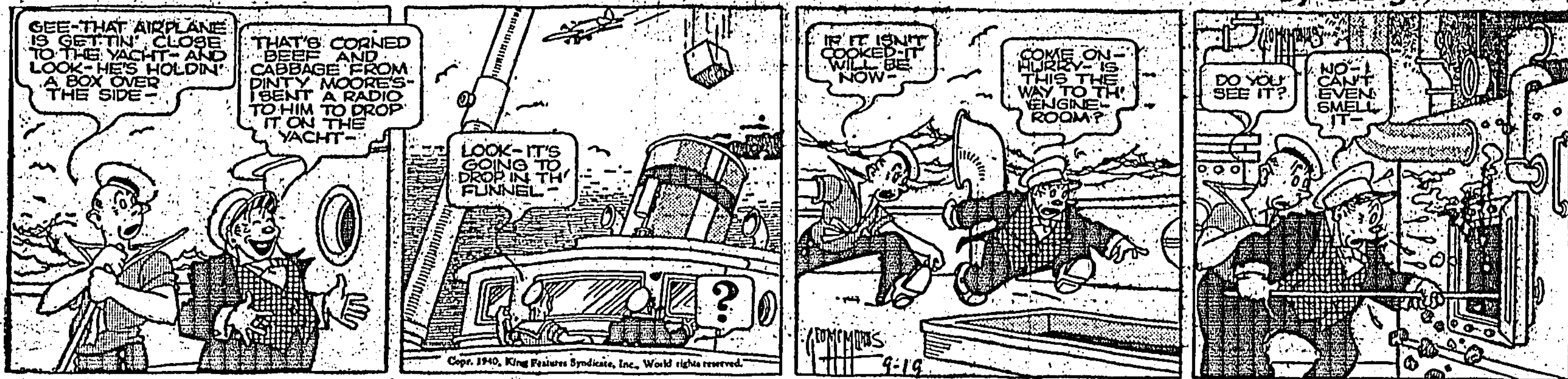
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Advised On Cosmetics

It's about time we considered those happy, pretty youngsters from ten to fifteen. They have their vanity too, and should be advised which beauty aids are essential and how to use them.

A complexion brush and a tube of liquid soap (or any other good bland soap) are invaluable companions for the younger lady. Being more active than her older sister her complexion needs frequent scrubbing to relieve the pores of secreted wastes. Three times a week is not too frequent for facial shampoos. A bit of pure cold cream may be used for dry skin lubrication.

No powder, please, you sweet young things, be glad you can show a fresh, translucent face to the world. Every older girl and woman envies you your youthful skin. A rose pomade lipstick does more than keep your lips tinted; a soft girlish shade—it protects them from getting chapped on nippy days.

Until you are sixteen or older do not wear nail polishes. For special party nights you might wear a very soft pink or rose, but don't ruin the freshness of your years and display poor taste by wearing the blatant shades. Keep your cuticle smooth, your nails shaped oval but not long, and spotlessly clean.

Schedule Your Chief Beauty Rituals

You are never too young to learn the important details of personal daintiness. Your teeth must be brushed every day once or twice and dental floss should be drawn between them before going to bed; bathe every day by taking a swim, shower or tub bath and



A good brushing is exhilarating and greatly beautifies the hair. Young girls adore those new crystalite-plastic brushes which are light as a feather, coloured if you desire, and easy to keep sanitary. Just whisking through soapuds does the trick!

resort to a morning sponge bath. Keep your toenails looking just as nice as you do your finger nails, and don't forget to brush your feet well with suds when you are in the tub.

Once a week or every ten days, shampoo your own hair if you do not go along with mother to a salon. Very young things, who go hatless most of the time, require an occasional hot oil or hot reconditioning oil treatment. You

should be allowed to have your own bottle of bland, liquid shampoo but if mother objects to buying one, make your own shampoo. Shave a bar of castile soap into hot water and let it melt. You will soon learn how much you should shave and melt to give your hair two soapings when you shampoo. Rinse hair well in clear waters several times or stand under the shower until your hair squeaks from cleanness!

Under no circumstances be tempted to use a bleach or tint on your hair, a masque on your young skin, mascara on your lashes, too bright lip rouge or vivid polishes.

Your terribly sweet as you are (when perfectly groomed!) and mighty more attractive than the girl who tries to look sophisticated by using aids meant for older, fading beauty!

Beautify Dry Skin

The woman who has a dry skin, whether it is sensitive or not, has difficulty in keeping it smooth. The least overdose of sun, a drive in the open, or a nippy day will irritate her face. She finds her skin slightly allergic to certain and other beauty aids.

A cleansing cream is necessary to remove make-up or dust, but the creaming should be followed by a washing with bland soap and warm water. Many experts are convinced that soap cleansing robs the skin of oil. I cannot agree with them. Soap cleansing is necessary for any skin. You must depend upon a skin oil or rich cream for extra lubrication, and a lotion or light cream foundation base to keep your make-up intact for the hours you are away from home.

There is a new liquefying cleanser available this fall which is kind to the most sensitive skins and does a neat job of ridding the pores of dirt and secretions. It looks good enough to eat (a luscious pink) and comes in an adorable container with a large bee on its lid. It will delight those women who like a quickly-melting texture for cream cleansing.

A Lubricating Aid

Another boon to dry skin care is a pure vegetable oil which one heats slightly in a pan of hot water before applying to the face, or, for

that matter, to any part of the body including the scalp which needs lubricating and toning. The longer you leave it on your skin the better, but a busy woman may wear it only an hour or two and still reap beauty. It smoothes and soothes. Applied to a freshly cleansed skin just before you take a hot bath is an effective way of banishing that fatigued look at the end of the day.

For Skin Protection

If a woman once acquires the habit of using a foundation lotion or cream beneath her make-up, she will never feel dressed without it. Such a formula protects the skin from the weather, keeps it dewy soft and holds make-up intact. But it isn't simple to find the perfect foundation for your specific skin texture and condition, so don't be discouraged if the first one you buy does not prove entirely satisfactory.

The trick in using any foundation lotion is to allow enough time to apply it. Over a clean skin spread it, wait at least three minutes then blot off any excess with fresh tissue or a towel. With finger tips blend in your cream rouge and press on powder with absorbent cotton. Whisk away surplus with a powder brush, smooth your brows, touch up your lashes, and colour your pretty lips. Now the dry-skin lady is a beauty and should go out and have a very, happy time!

Hints To B.W.O.F. Knitters

1. Do not knot your wool—wool should be spliced. Remember every knot in a sock may mean a blister for the wearer.
 2. Toes of socks must be finished by grafting.
 3. Darn in all ends of wool.
 4. Cast on and off loosely but firmly on all garments.
 5. All finished garments to be pressed.
 6. Lastly but most important follow the instructions with pattern.
 7. Kindly attach name of knitter to garment.
- Patterns may be obtained and advice given at the Knitting Centre at The Helena May Institute on Thursday mornings.

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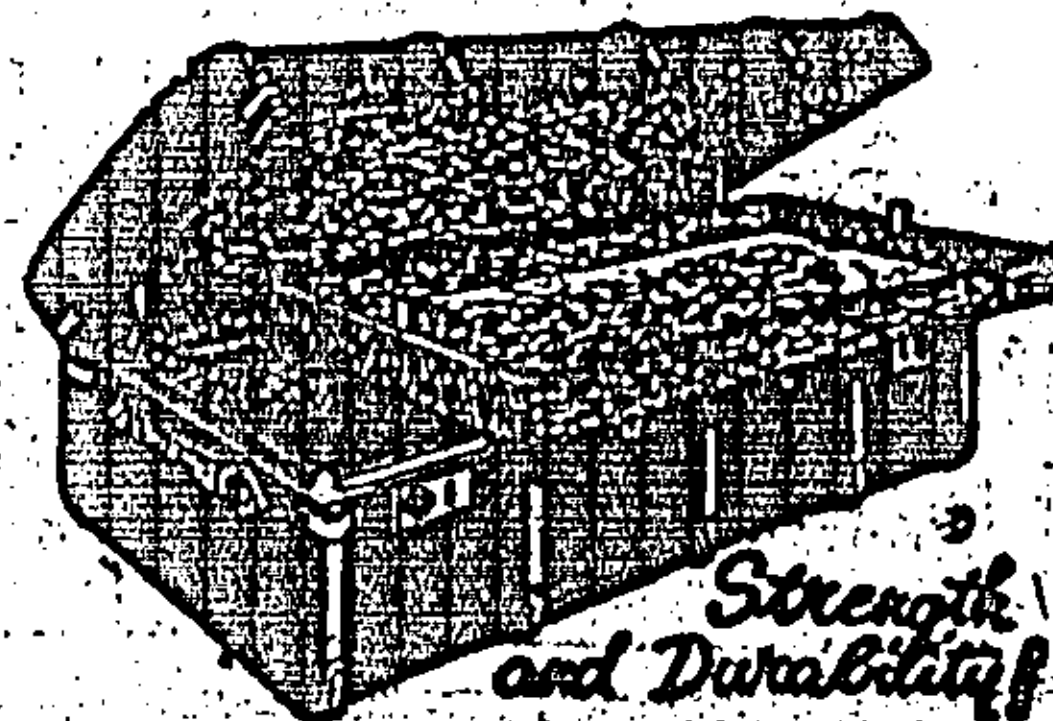
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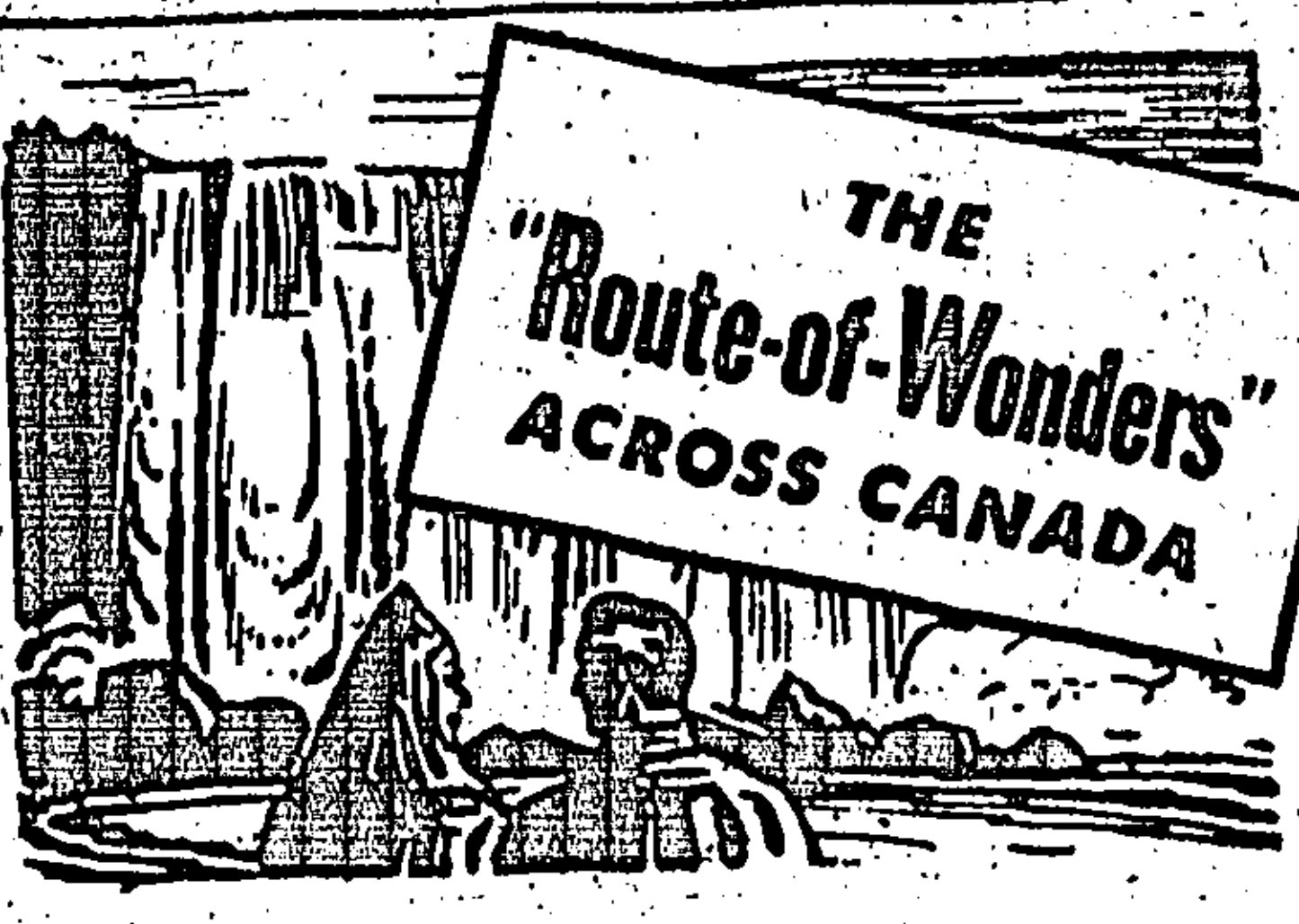
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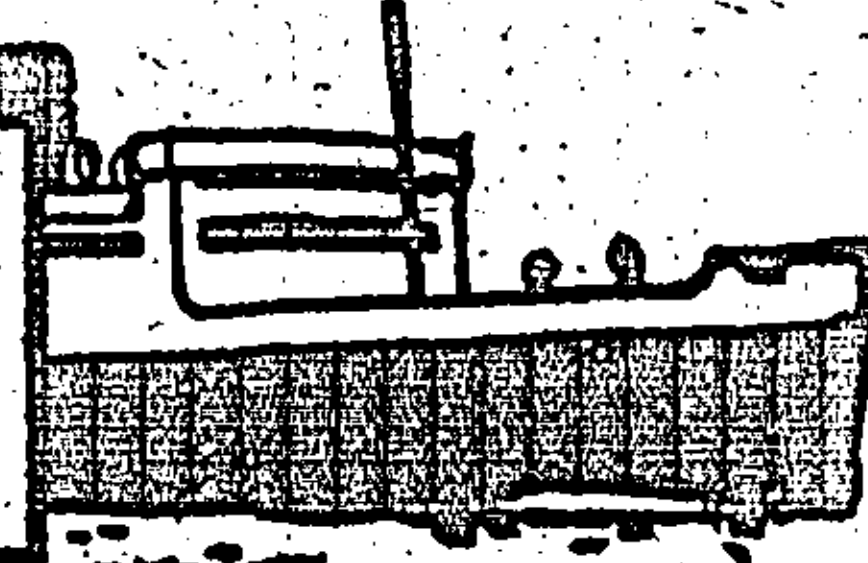
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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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Sandakan 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and United Kingdom via Victoria B.C.

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RADIO

12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Haydn. Menuet... Pau Casals ('Cello) with Piano accomp.
Sonata No. 1 in E Flat... Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).
Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra... George Eskdale (Trumpet) and Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Latest Vocal Variety.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Half an hour of Popular Classics.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—"The World Goes By" F. H. Driswood brings people to the microphone.

8.03 p.m.—Variety.

8.45 p.m.—Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Germany's Black Record—Past and Present".

No. 6. Talk by Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to British Government.

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The failure of the raids to inflict any significant military damage; and

The unshaken composure with which the British people are meeting these assaults on their morale.

The London correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," in a long article says that the people of London have already adapted themselves thoroughly to day and night air attacks. He writes: "I had the amusing experience of being told by an air raid warden, 'The people care so little about the raids that I have already lost nearly all my clients.'"

"The London theatres have put on new shows, which are meeting with great success, proving that the people do not, as may be supposed in some parts of the Continent, live underground."

All Observers Agree

"It is interesting to talk with those who have lost their possessions in the raids. Most of them are fatalists, willing to bear any burden for their country, and they quite frankly fail to understand the amazement of neutral observers at their calmness. I personally have been once more convinced beyond doubt that in this great hour of danger the British nation, which has enjoyed to such a remarkable degree a free and peaceful life, stands determined and steadfast."

"In case my observations should be alleged to be one-sided, I may mention that American, Swedish, and Hungarian correspondents have gathered exactly the same impressions. All investigations by neutral correspondents here are on our own initiative and are not based on Government information. I have not found the slightest difficulty in going wherever I wished."

Fell Like Plums

The opinion that the Germans have gained nothing from their air raids over Britain is expressed in most cables from London published in the American Press.

"Hitler's mightiest effort to knock out the R.A.F. is a costly failure," says the correspondent of the International News Service. In describing the air battle over South-East England he says the German planes "fell like over-ripe plums from a tree at the rate of

IF HOUSE GOES GIVE P.O. NEW ADDRESS

SCRAPS OF paper pinned to the wrecked doorways of bombed homes show how out of date London street directories are these days. The notes tell postmen and tradesmen that Mrs. Brown has moved to No. 17 in the next street, or that Mr. Jones wants his correspondence delivered to a district miles away.

Some postmen have been doing the re-delivery themselves when the new address has been on or near their round, but usually they make a note of the address and hand the letters back at the sorting office.

The G.P.O. has issued instructions which will meet this problem and remove the danger of abuse of this unofficial delivery system.

People who remain temporarily near their old home after it has been made uninhabitable, should ask the local post office where they can collect their correspondence.

Special Card

Those who move to other districts, leaving their former homes unoccupied, should apply at any post office for a redirection card as soon as they have a permanent address.

The card, P.2216.B, has been specially produced for this emergency. It should be used also by people remaining in their original neighbourhood if they have taken up new quarters on a fairly permanent basis.

Telephone subscribers should put their old numbers on this card. This will help post office records and may make it possible for telephone calls to be redirected.

DULL SESSION ON STOCK EXCHANGE

In the absence of any incentive to stimulate fresh buying interest the London Stock Exchange yesterday experienced a dull session. Gilt-edged, however, continued to meet support and oils, where changed, moved in holders' favour. Industrials were heavy, especially Store shares, which were adversely affected by rationing considerations. Wall Street was irregular. — Reuter.

one every two minutes."

A tour over 100 miles of bombed areas made by a representative of the Associated Press revealed that only one bombing attack had done any military damage. The Berlin versions of the raids on Britain obtained a secondary place in the American Press adds Reuter.

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China Lights (New) \$6.70 b.
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H.K. Electrics (Old) \$38½ b.
H.K. Electrics (New) \$38 b.
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Telephones (Old) \$24½ b.
Telephones (New) \$10 b., \$10 sa.

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Cements \$17½ b., \$17¼/¾ sa.
H.K. Ropes \$6.80 b.

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LAST DAY'S SALES

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1,500 Providents @ \$5.15
1,500 Providents @ \$5.25
300 Trams @ \$17
100 Telephones (Old) @ \$24¼
625 Telephones (New) @ \$10
500 Cements @ \$17½
1,000 Watsons @ \$10.15

SAW TWIN KILLED

Trapped with his younger brother in a cart drawn by a runaway horse, a London boy was flung to death before the eyes of his twin sister.

The children had been evacuated for safety to their uncle's Cumberland farm.

Riding in the cart were Edwin Harrison Jeffrey, aged thirteen, and his brother Hugh, aged ten, sons of Mr. John Edwin Jeffrey, chemist and dentist, of King's Road, Chelsea, London.

The horse was led by a farm hand, Harold Dickinson. While passing along a cart track above an embankment the horse took fright and bolted.

Skull Fractured

Dickinson held on to the reins till he was pulled over the embankment. Then the horse and cart, with the two boys in it, rolled over and over.

The boys were thrown out and were found lying together half way down the embankment. Edwin was unconscious and died later from a fracture of the skull. Hugh had a fractured leg.

Walking behind the cart was Jean Caroline, Edwin's twin sister.

Dickinson told the coroner at the inquest at Brompton, Cumberland, "I can give no reason why the horse took fright."

Mr. Harry Mason, the boy's uncle, said: "The cart had rubber tyres which were inclined to be slippery. You never know what will happen with boys in a cart."

The coroner recorded a verdict that Edwin Jeffrey was accidentally killed through the overturning of a cart.

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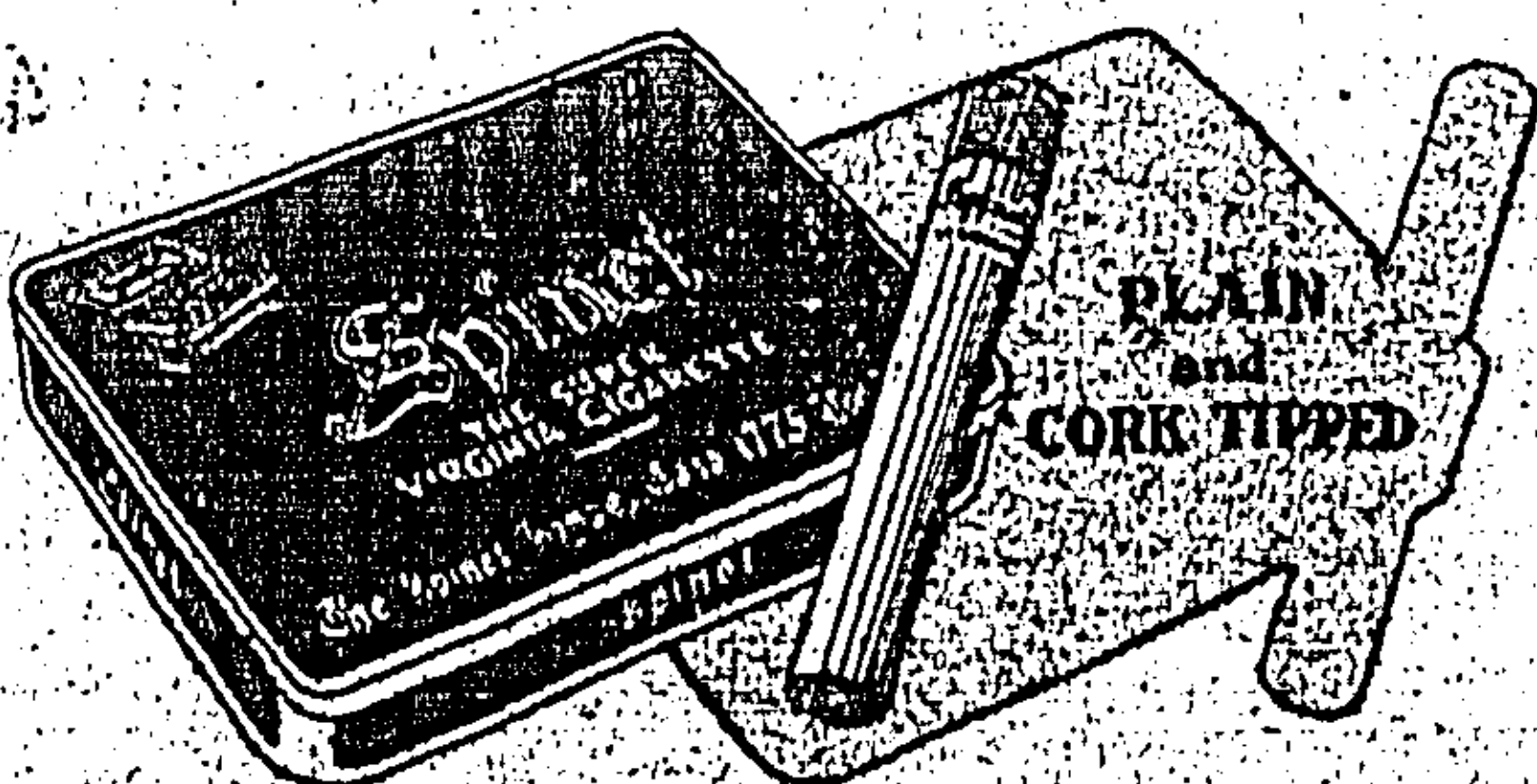
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Gegg And Oh Save University From Certain Defeat Century Stand By Lawrence & Knight

By "Adrem"

THE WEATHER ON SATURDAY WAS IDEAL FOR CRICKET AND WICKETS GENERALLY FAVOURED BATSMEN. NEVERTHELESS SCORES WERE NOT UNDULY HIGH EXCEPT IN THE MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN ARMY AND HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB, WHERE BATSMEN ON BOTH SIDES LED THE BOWLERS A MERRY DANCE.

Baxter's all-round form at Pokfulum and a fine comeback by veteran J. L. Youngsaye were the chief features of Junior matches. Baxter made 78 runs and then polished off the University innings when things were looking pretty grim for K.C.C., while Youngsaye made his first half-century for more years than I can trace in the records!

In a low-scoring match at King's Park, Recreio had much the better of their meeting with the Indians who were, however, not at full strength. A. R. Minu, their opening bowler, preferred an afternoon at the Races, while M. el Arculli, their vice-captain, was otherwise engaged.

H. L. Ozorio, who struck a good length and took 7 for 32, together with A. V. Gosano (30) and Willie Reed (27), were mainly responsible for the home team's win, but of that more anon.

Madar's Guile

The Gosano brothers, "L.G." and Zinho, started the innings for Recreio and looked like settling down to a big partnership when the former was bowled by Khasa Nazarin. It was a good ball which came back a little.

Eddie Soares filled the vacancy but was trapped by A. H. Madar, who signalled his younger brother, "M.P.", to close in for a catch—and sure enough the catch came. Zinho then got tied up in a knot! He could not undo himself in time and was not only l.b.w., but to save the umpire any unnecessary thinking, sat on his wicket as well!

A procession followed until Reed and A. V. Gosano got together. In the meantime Madar was sending down some really good stuff but he did not have much luck as he was time and again just taking the paint off the sticks without causing the balls to fall.

As usual Reed sat on the spilloe, though anything short of a length received the treatment it deserved, namely a very solid punch to square leg.

Gosano indulged in some big hitting but was too prone to shy the ball in his attempts to clear the boundary. He paid the full penalty when Madar changed over from the Pavilion End to the C.B.A. End, in order to bowl with a longer boundary behind him, and was well taken by Esmail.

The remainder of the batsmen did nothing of note.

Early Disaster

Early disaster marked the I.R.C. innings. Harry Esmail was bowled by Ozorio for a blob and A. H. Madar, who joined Esmail, was sent back—bowled first ball by Ozorio. Nazarin came in but only managed to stop the "hat-trick" for he was caught off the same bowler two balls later.

M. P. Madar, who is really a better batsman than most people think, played the bowling very confidently and managed to stem the rot, together with S. A. Esmail, for a while.

After the latter was out A. H. Rumljahn shaped very well until he hit one very hard, back to the bowler and for some reason or other started to run. He was sent back and run out. Then K. M. Rumljahn struck for 22. His mark, at best, he described as a useful but unorthodox innings. The remaining wickets fell without

much alteration to the score sheet.

The Indians were one short.

Ozorio's Bowling

Ozorio, who opened the bowling for Recreio, kept a good length but that was about all. He did not make the ball turn as much as usual and, without trying to belittle his effort, it was due more to bad batting than good bowling that he returned the analysis of 9.4-2-32-7.

Albert Rodrigues made one of his all too rare appearances for Recreio seniors but only made one run when he was caught in the gully by A. H. Rumljahn. It was a brilliant catch—left-handed, and taken very low down when the ball was travelling fast.

K.C.C. Baulked

Kowloon Cricket Club scored 171 for 6 against University and although they were once in a commanding position and appeared certain to win, a fine stand between W. S. Gegg and K. S. Oh robbed them of an outright decision.

Anderson, opening for K.C.C., played a typical innings and hit eight boundaries in his 60. He was associated with Francis Lay in a partnership of 88, the latter completely dominating the scoring during this period.

I suppose one might term Lay's innings a valuable one, but for his own good I feel a word of advice is necessary. It is all very well to score quickly—conditions under which the game is played in Hong Kong demand it—but it is another thing for a No. 3 batsman to go in after a wicket has fallen for only four runs, and hit indiscriminately. That is what Lay did. Most of his shots, including his square-cut, were lofted and it is not surprising that he was given a number of lives.

I was very glad that Rapley came off. A batsman who always looks like a batsman but rarely makes runs, describes Rapley fairly accurately. He, too, played flashing cricket and secured a number of his runs with that wristy leg sweep at which he is so adept.

University bowling was not impressive and the fielding, although far from brilliant, was extremely keen.

Gegg And Oh Save Undergrads

Gegg and K. S. Oh alone saved University from crushing defeat, both batting really well at a difficult time. Gegg, who normally likes to hit them, was as restrained as the occasion demanded and he was at the wicket for half an hour before he scored. Oh batted really well and was good value for his 29 not out, although had Rapley at cover, held a chance but, up before, he had scored, K.C.C. must have won. Rapley could not be blamed for the error, however, as he had the sun slap

K.C.C. SELECTIONS FOR WEEK-END

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in week-end cricket matches:—

First XI (v C.S.C.C., away) — J. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, F. J. Lay, D. Jung, W. L. Rapley and R. T. Broadbridge. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

Second XI (v C.S.C.C., home) — S. A. Gray (Capt.), E. L. Curtis, L. R. Burch, R. J. Fenton, H. Brokenshire, B. D. Lay, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, G. Giffen, F. Crabb and J. W. Bertram. Twelfth Man: E. T. Lawrence.

Sunday's Game

Following will represent Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly match against Army, starting at 11 a.m. on Sunday:—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. Hung, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, N. A. E. Mackay, W. L. Rapley, S. A. Gray, E. L. Curtis, Twelfth Man: K. M. Baxter. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

in his eyes and could not possibly have seen the ball.

Lloyd bowled well enough to take 6 for 20 but he was not nearly as impressive as his analysis would suggest. Francis Zimmern was right off and Lee's three overs merely had the effect of playing Gegg and Oh in.

Batsmen in Command

Bowlers had a sorry time in the match at Sookunpoo between Army and Hong Kong Cricket Club. Army batsmen were in great form and ran up 163 for only two wickets. Finch went quickly but Logan and Alec Pearce then made merry at the expense of the limited Club attack, and Webb followed this up, after Pearce had been dismissed, with a breezy 37 not out. Logan played a typical innings and was sound without being brilliant, while Pearce and Webb did pretty much as they liked.

Knight and Lawrence gave Club an excellent start and 113 runs were on the board before the first wicket fell. Knight batted correctly for his 49 and Lawrence, evidently discarded from the Army team, showed his paces with a characteristically hard-hit knock of 63.

When Club batsmen came in with the idea of scoring runs or getting out Trapp got among the wickets to take 5 for 39 but by this time there was little chance of a decision one way or the other.

Baker Bowls Well

Combined Small Units batsmen found run-getting a bit of a struggle against Civil Service and after they had lost 6 for 34 Goss and Dobbinson took part in a stand which enabled them to total 110 for 7, at which stage it was then so late that they were forced to declare.

Baker bowled as well as he had done this season and took four cheap wickets but no other Civil Service bowler met with very much success.

With Attwell, Perry and Hollidge all making useful scores, Civil Service won with seven wickets to spare and then went on to total 149 for 4.

A cricket match between the European Y.M.C.A. and the Civil Service Club will be played on the Civil Service Club ground on Dec. 22. The Y.M.C.A. team has not yet been selected.

BRILLIANT INNINGS BY J. L. YOUNGSAYE

By "Adrem"

FEATURE OF THE junior match between Diocesan Boys' School and Craigengower Cricket Club at Happy Valley was a brilliant half-century by J. L. Youngsaye, who found his best form after a long spell of indifference.

Scoring brilliantly all round the wicket, Youngsaye played an innings reminiscent of him at his best and his 22 not out was only marred by one or two "upish" shots which went dangerously near gully.

He was not very well supported by the School's batsmen, however, and only Whiffled and Randall gave him any material assistance. Craigengower's early batsmen all made a few, and Archie Hung, who cracked a couple of good fours in his first over, appeared likely to repeat his hurricane innings of the previous week, when one of Eb'ahim's better ones got through his defence.

Leonard made an auspicious start to his season and scored a typical 31 in his first match but, although there were a number of double-figure scores, extras was the next highest scorer with 26.

The School bowling, apart from Huise, was not impressive and their fielding was not as good as that expected from a youthful side.

Fergus Again

Fergus, who did little last season worthy of mention, is obviously in splendid form with the ball this year and his recent performances have had a great deal to do with the successes achieved by the Royal Scots.

Following his 7 for 22 against the Police, he proved much too good for H.K.C.C. batsmen at Chater Road and finished up with 6 for 16 in 75 overs—a splendid achievement against a side that was far from weak in batting.

ARMY RUGBY XV

The following have been selected to represent the Army XV Police in the Quadrangular Tournament at Sookunpoo on Saturday, December 7 at 4 p.m.—

A. N. Other; Sgt. Richards, Capt. Douglass, Lt. Coombes, Pte. McDonald; Capt. Hook, 2/Lt. Wedderburn, Cpl. Sutherland, 2/Lt. Ford, 2/Lt. Bompas, 2/Lt. Heath, Capt. Duke, Cpl. Gillam, 2/Lt. Millar, 2/Lt. Pinkerton.

Reserves—2/Lt. Clague, Capt. Skipwith, Pte. Berry, L/c. Foley. Douglass is back in the three-quarter line, thus allowing Richards to play on the wing, but Marsh is still an absentee and has been replaced by Macdonald. Cuthbertson, who is in hospital, will be unavailable, and his place in the second row has been given to Heath. Millar and Duke have changed places to give better balance to the pack, and Clague appears to have been dropped from the full-back position.

Despite this reshuffle, Army should win by a big margin.

Club Seven-A-Side Rugby Game

Club "A" did not play their usual mid-week Rugby match yesterday, Army failing to produce a side.

Club players, however, took part in a seven-a-side game, feature of which was the good spirit shown.

ARMY HOCKEY

In the first round of the Large Units Hockey League, Middlesex yesterday beat Engineers by 4-1 at Shamshulpo. Scorers for the winners were Hyman (3) and Sheehan.

Gahagan made 24 for Club and Armstrong, who as far as I can recollect was playing in his first game of the season, made 29. Bishop was the only other double-figure scorer.

Scots made light of the task of scoring 92 and these were knocked off for the loss of Godby's wicket, Aisey making a dour 33 and Bateman hitting hard for 70, which included 12 fours.

Baxter's Brilliant Spell

At one period during the game at Pokfulum between K.C.C. and University, the latter team appeared to be well on the way to victory.

Baxter then had an inspired spell with the ball and took four wickets in the course of 25 overs to win the game for the Kowloon team.

Baxter also top-scored for K.C.C., batting soundly for his 78 runs, Gray, the captain, being next best with 28.

Ooi, Chelliah, N. Singh and Aziz Ahmed gave University a good start and they were within striking distance when Baxter found his spot. Lay bowled steadily for Kowloon to take 5 for 28.

Recreio Save Game

Thanks to a fine half-century by A. R. Suffiad, and useful scores by Curraem, A. el Arculli and A. H. Ismail, I.R.C. were able to declare against Recreio at 152 for 7. Recreio had a bit of a struggle against the bowling of M. A. Abbas but they managed to play out time. M. A. Remedios and F. J. Remedios doing well with the bat.

Fine bowling by Carey, coupled with poor batting by Civil Service, saw Police beat C.S.C.C. on the Police ground. The custodians of the law did little better with the bat than their opponents but Clarke saved the side with a fine 39 not out.

Baker made a welcome re-appearance to the Police team and took 2 for 18.

NURSES GOLF COMPETITION

A Tombstone Competition for golfing members of the V.A.D. and A.N.S. is being held at Fanling (New Course) on Tuesday, Dec. 17, for which Mrs. A. V. Greaves is presenting a prize. Draw for partners will be made at the Ladies Club House at 11.30 a.m.

Tea will be served at 4.45 p.m., when the prize will be presented. Will those members of the A.N.S. wishing to play, please send in their names to Mrs. Valentine, Hon. Sec. A.N.S. Queen Mary Hospital.

FRIENDLY BOWLS GAME

A friendly bowls game between Bowlers and Cricketers of the Civil Service Cricket Club has been arranged for Sunday, at 10 a.m.

The Bowlers will be represented by the following:—J. Gellatly, A. B. Allan, J. W. Deakins, M. N. Rakusen (Skip); E. Kirmon, M. Scott, J. M. Purvis, J. Hollidge (Skip); J. R. Carr, W. G. Gardner, V. S. Ebbage, S. Ecceshall (Skip).

BADMINTON LEAGUE FIXTURES

Following are Badminton League fixtures for the current season:—

"A" DIVISION	
Monday, December 9	University "B" v Recrelo
Monday, December 10	Chinese "Y" v University "A"
Monday, December 23	University "B" v Chinese "Y"
Monday, January 6	Recrelo v University "A"
Monday, January 13	University "A" v University "B"
Monday, January 20	Chinese "Y" v Recrelo
Monday, January 27	Recrelo v University "B"
Monday, February 3	University "A" v Chinese "Y"
Monday, February 10	Chinese "Y" v University "B"
Monday, February 17	University "A" v Recrelo
Monday, February 24	University "B" v University "A"
Monday, February 24	Recrelo v Chinese "Y"

"B" DIVISION	
Wednesday, December 11	V.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, December 11	Chung Wah v Recrelo
Wednesday, December 11	K.C.C. v Police
Wednesday, December 11	Kowloon Tong v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, December 18	J.R.C. v King's College
Wednesday, December 18	V.R.C. v Chung Wah
Wednesday, December 18	St. John's v Police
Wednesday, December 18	K.C.C. v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 9	Recrelo v J.R.C.
Wednesday, January 9	King's College v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 9	St. John's v St. Andrew's
Wednesday, January 9	Police v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, January 16	J.R.C. v Chung Wah
Wednesday, January 16	Recrelo v V.R.C.
Wednesday, January 16	Kowloon Tong v St. John's
Wednesday, January 16	St. Andrew's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, January 23	J.R.C. v V.R.C.
Wednesday, January 23	Recrelo v King's College
Wednesday, January 23	St. John's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, January 23	St. Andrew's v Police
Wednesday, February 5	King's College v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 5	Recrelo v Chung Wah
Wednesday, February 5	Police v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 5	St. Andrew's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 12	King's College v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Chung Wah v V.R.C.
Wednesday, February 12	Police v St. John's
Wednesday, February 12	Kowloon Tong v K.C.C.
Wednesday, February 19	J.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 19	Chung Wah v King's College
Wednesday, February 19	St. Andrew's v St. John's
Wednesday, February 19	Kowloon Tong v Police
Wednesday, February 26	Chung Wah v J.R.C.
Wednesday, February 26	V.R.C. v Recrelo
Wednesday, February 26	St. John's v Kowloon Tong
Wednesday, February 26	St. Andrew's v K.C.C.
Wednesday, March 5	V.R.C. v J.R.C.
Wednesday, March 5	King's College v Recrelo
Wednesday, March 5	K.C.C. v St. John's
Wednesday, March 5	Police v St. Andrew's

First two fixtures of each batch represent "A" section, the last two "B" section.

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There will be an exhibition badminton match at Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 8.30 this evening between Patrick H. Wong, the Colony champion, and C. Au.

Reynolds' Splendid Display In The Ordnance Goal

ADAMS ALSO DOES WELL

AT SOOKUNPOO YESTERDAY Service Corps took the lead in Second Division of Hong Kong Football League when they beat Ordnance by 5 clear goals in their postponed game.

In this game Reynolds again distinguished himself and gave a brilliant exhibition of goal-keeping and, though beaten five times, he must have saved thrice that number, his positioning, clean play and coolness under pressure being marked features of his game.

It seems rather strange that this player has so far been given little recognition in local representative games both by the Army and Association. Adams at right back for Ordnance was another player to shine,

he was everywhere when needed and by his strong kicking cleared his line often. Russell his partner gave him valuable help in the pivotal position, and Stephens was also outstanding.

The Ordnance forward-line did not combine well and were very poor in front of goal; they had many opportunities of scoring but failed.

Emberson and Duffield were the best players and both worked very hard. For Service Corps, Glen on the

right wing was very prominent with his centres and was always a danger to the Ordnance. Clark and Morgan were also good but Weir and Martin were only prominent in the later stages of the game. Murray at fullback kicked well, while Young in the centre-half berth was also good.

Glen scored in the first half and in the second half Glen, Clark (2), Martin scored the other goals. Service Corps—Mattison, Murray and Hamblin; Smart, Young and Hammond; Glen, Morgan, Clark, Weir and Martin.

Ordnance: — Reynolds; Adams and Russell; Jones, Stephens and Harding; Harland, Emberson, Mandell, Wright and Duffield.

MATCH POSTPONED

Owing to Volunteer Camp the Third Division football match between the A.S.A. and R.E. scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 8, has been postponed.

F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

The following is the agenda of the Council meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association which will be held at the Association's office on Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 5.30 p.m.

Minutes of Council meeting No. 5; of League Management Committee meeting No. 7; of Emergency Sub-Committee meeting No. 3.

Accounts.
Draw of 1st round "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competition. Selecting grounds.

Draw of Senior and Junior Shield.

Correspondence.
Any other business.

K.C.C. TENNIS

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (—40) beat E. Zulauf and W. O'Neill (—15) 6-2, 4-6, 6-4 yesterday in the quarter-finals of Kowloon Cricket Club's handicap men's doubles tournament.



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R.A.F. Attacks On Oil Stores And Refineries

GIVE BRITAIN ALL MONEY THEY WANT--MR. FORD

Mr. Henry Ford, in an interview in Detroit yesterday, said that if Britain needed money he was in favour of "giving them all they want."

Mr. Ford added: "It will end the war in a hurry. We did it before and might as well do it again." — Reuter.

ITALIAN 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

Further R.A.F. successes over Albania were announced in Cairo yesterday.

Reports received confirm that in addition to two aircraft destroyed by R.A.F. fighters and bombers formations in Albania on Monday, two other enemy aircraft were also destroyed.

In Italian East Africa, Kassala was heavily bombed. Bombs were dropped on enemy fortified positions and a motor transport park was straddled. British aircraft also machine-gunned transport and enemy personnel. — Reuter.

Vital Factor In Result Of War

IF GERMANY RUNS short of oil she must stop fighting. It is with this belief uppermost in mind that the R.A.F. shapes its operations. And the R.A.F. know a trick worth two of bombing oil wells.

What this trick is was explained, among other things, by the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hugh Dalton, at a press conference in London yesterday.

The British blockade, said Mr. Dalton, is working well and the enemy is growing uncomfortably short of certain commodities.

Oil, rubber and copper looted by Germany from occupied territories is now exhausted and Germany is back where she was six months ago.

The safety margin of oil in Germany has not yet been touched but she is using more oil than she is producing as a result of R.A.F. attacks on supplies, storage and the transport system, and disappointing supplies are obtained from Russia.

Mr. Dalton said he recommended targets in Germany to the Air Ministry and always kept oil near the head of the list.

Italian Target No. 1

In Italy, Bari had always been the R.A.F.'s number one target, which was economically more important than Milan or Turin, as the most important oil stocks in all Italy were kept there.

Speaking of the difficulty of transporting the Rumanian oil surplus to Germany, Mr. Dalton

said that as crude oil was not very inflammable it was nonsense to suggest bombing the Rumanian oil wells.

Rather wait until Germany had spent labour and time refining and transporting it, and then bomb it.

Italy First

Italy would feel the pinch even before Germany, said Mr. Dalton, because she had no synthetic oil plant and there was little doubt her supplies were growing short and she had to get replenishment from Germany.

Mr. Dalton would like to see increasing mobilisation of the reserves of United States production set aside for Britain and the Allies, and added: "There has been an exchange of views with the United States on the matter." — Reuter.

U.S. AIRCRAFT AROUSE R.A.F. ENTHUSIASM

An American-built aircraft took the photographs of damaged Italian warships at Taranto.

This was officially disclosed last night in a story which stated that the R.A.F. are enthusiastic about the performance of United States aircraft they are now using.

These have fought their way successfully through many operations, particularly in the Middle East.

It is stated the R.A.F. have come to regard with real affection the Lockheed Hudsons, which are proving such a valuable aid to Britain's Coastal Command, and have taken part in hundreds of bombing raids from Norway to the Bay of Biscay. — Reuter.

DEATH SENTENCES

NINE POLES HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH AT POZNAN, IN GERMAN-OCCUPIED POLAND, THE GERMAN WIRELESS STATED YESTERDAY.

With 29 others they were charged with committing acts of violence against the Germans.

The remainder were sentenced to long terms of hard labour and imprisonment. — Reuter.

PATROLS ACTIVE ROUND KASSALA

British patrols were again active to the north and south of Kassala inflicting casualties on the enemy without loss to themselves, stated yesterday's G.H.Q. communique in Cairo.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts, adds the communique. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

A suggestion that ex-King Carol's life is in some jeopardy is conveyed in reports from the Spanish frontier. There is evidence that three Iron Guards recently left Rumania for Spain. — Reuter.

Greek troops on the northern Albanian front who have advanced far from their bases are now meeting with some difficulty in obtaining supplies. All was quiet on the Albanian-Yugoslav frontier yesterday, says Reuter's special correspondent there.

The terrain is terribly difficult and the roads almost impassable owing to heavy snow. Two Italians and three Albanians surrendered to the Yugoslav authorities yesterday morning.

The Italians stated the morale of their comrades was falling, while the Albanians alleged the Italian troops were terrorising the civil population of Albania. — Reuter.

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